### Veteran Journalist Just Returned From Regions Sandered by Hearst Liars Describes True Conditions

(George H. Shoaf is well known to hundreds of thousands of readers in the United States. He has been a reporter for about thirty years. He worked for such varied journals as Hearst's Chicago American as well as Deb's Appeal to Reason. For a time he was in Hearst's employ with the only function of travelling about the country, sounding out the sentiment of the people, and sending personal reports to Hearst in order to guide him in his policies. It more recent years Mr. Shoaf has been writing largely for labor and religious papers.)

Most of the readers of the Western Worker are pretty wel acquainted with the situation as it actually exists in the Soviet Union Many of them have visited that country and for themselves know what is going on; others have learned the facts from relatives and friends who have made the trip; while, perhaps, the largest contingent has secured its information from newspapers and magazines favorable to the Soviet cause and from books written by sympathetic

However, it must be admitted that probably ninety per cent of the American people are in the really stands for, and are ignorand activities of the Russian people. It is with the hope of reaching a slight percentage of this uninformed majority that these words are written. W. R. Hearst representing the Russian situation. propaganda to present the facts.

In putting down my observamade, received and sustained during my recent tour of the Soviet Union I am going deliberately to use language that will be understood by the non-Communist reader. As far as possible I shall avoid using the words "proletarian," "bourgeois," "Leninism," etc. and shall try to steer clear of all radical phraseology familiar to Communist propagandists. Since I am giving a first-hand account of my experiences in the Soviet Union, the reader must extend pardon if the personal pronoun "I" stands out frequently.

### \* Territory Same As Hearst's.

people were reported to be in altry on earth. state of starvation. While I did I my best to discover instances of men and women reminded me of malnutrition, and put forth every the type that flourished on mideffort to unearth cases of starva- western farms in the United States tion, not once during my entire half a century ago. Clear and journey did I find evidences of either. Everywhere I went the people appgared to be well fee with the wholesome food the Russian people have always eaten The only complaints I heard were from declassed aristocrats

who refuse to work or abide by Soviet rules, and who hang about the hotels in the larger cities, and from small and large merchants and speculators whose fortunes were liquidated during the revolution and who seem unable to U. S. SUPREME COURT NEXT adjust themselves to the new regime. It is this latter class of people who are making the loudest protest; and it is relatives of this class who are making the welkin ring in the capitalist world re garding alleged intolerable con ditions in the Soviet Union.

#### An American Abroad.

Before entering upon an explanation of this situation I want to say that I neither read nor speak the Russian language. I the Marin County court and the to 12. William Green, American Federation of Labor president was was born in Texas, as were my State Court of Appeals to grant reported as "jubilant" and predicted speedy passage of the measure

the Soviet, Union for five years The young woman is the daughter of a former Socialist whom dark as to what the Soviet Union knew when he was State Secretary of the Socialist Party o ant of the present plans, purposes Oklahoma in the days before the World War. From this couple I learned much concerning the Soviet situation. They are perfectly charmed with all things Soviet, and under no circumstances could is doing his best to keep the they be induced to return to the American people ignorant by mis- land of their birth. I spent an afternoon and evening with Ed It should be a part of Communist | Ealkowski, city editor of The Moscow News, whom I knew when he was a resident of New tions, impressions and reactions York City. He answered all my questions in a straight-forward manner, and I am absolutely certain that not once did he deviate from the truth. Interestingly enough, my personal guide and striker held in jail since February interpreter in Moscow was Ming Hua Wei, the Chinese student at the University of Southern Cali- ed George Andersen, Internatiofornia, who was deported from nal Labor Defense attorney, to Los Angeles to Moscow about defend him in his forthcoming two years ago. Ming and I had trial.

#### went everywhere unmolested. \* Comradely People.

My experiences with the Russ ian people gave me an impression entirely unlike the idea I had of I spent the month of May, 1934, them before going to the Soviet Doning most of the European Union. Instead of being taciturn portion of the Soviet Union, ar- and unsocial, I found them to be riving in Leningrad late in April extremely comradely both in spirit and leaving Kiev early in June. and practice, full of life and good Many days were spent exploring cheer. They are the most hosthe Volga region where enemies pitable and generous of any peoabroad said fainine conditions ex- ple I ever met. And among them isted. Considerable time was de- I found a democracy of talk and ice in Jackson, framed on the voted to investigating conditions action freer and more wholesome in the Ukraine where millions of than any that exists in any coun-The boys and girls and young

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IN STATE SUPREME COURT

ON SCHEDULE OF LEGAL BATTLE

SAN FRANCISCO, May 20.-Tom Mooney's petition for a writ of habeas corpus went into the California State Supreme Court today. If it is refused, the peti tion which aims to get Mooney a new trial will be taken on to the United States Supreme Court.

The move, following refusal of parents before me, and I am are the writ, was made necessary in the house this week. American descended from ten gen with the refusal of the U.S. Suerations of Americans. While I preme Court months ago to retraveled through the Soviet Union view the case, saying that all avemy disposal, at no time did I these, and it is expected, in view played in the past two years. have to remain under official super- of the present move in the As- & Company Unions. vision. As a matter of fact I fre- sembly to release Mooney without quently lift the entourage and granting him vindication, that the arbitration measure, which would fire and hire as he sees fit. wandered labout the country at petition will be turned down. The keep the workers on the job at will. I was fortunate to have Assembly resolution, which would employers' terms while endless

Americans a young man and wife new appeal to the United States pany unionism. -who have lived and worked in Supreme Court.

The company union is in fact (See Editorial, Page 6.)

Supported by the American Federation of Labor bureaucracy and legalized by a clause in the Wagthe "Old Guard" Socialist Party ner bill which states that "any as a guest, of the Russian Travel nues of appeal had not been ex- clique, the bill plays the same individual employee or group of Bureau, and had official inter- hausted in the state. The pre- role that the infamous Section 7a employees shall have the right at preters and guides constantly at sentation today exhausts the last of and the NRA as a whole have any time to present their grievances through representatives of

their own choosing." Further-

\* No Closed Shops.

with me as a companion through- commute Mooney's term to time arbitration dragged on. It pro- Wagner, an open agent of fi- Plants included in the strike are out the trip a Russian born Ameri- served, and release him now, has vides for the setting up of a nance capital, in speaking for his the California Barrel Company, can citizen who speaks English been roundly scored by Tom as brand new president appointed measure Wednesday declared, the Holmes Eureka, the Scotia and Russian with equal fluency. an attempt to fasten guilt on him national Labor Relations Board "There is nothing in the present Mill, Hammon's Mill and the hood of Railway Trainmen, Shop ert Minor, chairman of the Gallup With him I visited his relatives, and prevent his proving his in as a sort of employer controlled bill which promotes a union mon- woods camps of the Freshmater, Crafts and Locomotive Engineers Defense Committee spoke at a including his mother, who live noncence of the frame-up charges. "Supreme Court of Labor." While opoly, which places the stamp of the Pacific Lumber Company. in the Soviet Union, and through In the East, John Mooney, placing endless restrictions on the governmental favor upon any parhim I ascertained facts on the brother of the efamous class war rights of workers it in no way ticular type of union, or which SEATTLE, Wash., May 20 .ground that I would have missed victim, is touring many cities or restricts employers who would outlaws the so-called company With approximately 40,000 work- Topeka, Kansas. Out of the meet- lowing the talk a union delegate ganizing mass sentiment behind be free to continue their drive union . . . this bill does not es- ers out on strike in all principal ing a provisional Gallup Defense to the meeting called for a rising I spent two days with two the fight in preparation for the toward the "shining" goal of com- tablish the closed shop or even lumber centers of the Northwest, Committee of eleven members was cheer in honor of Minor which encourage it."

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# EPIG FOR UNITED FROM MADOR MINER ASKS 1.

### JAILED STRIKER ACTS WHEN AFL FAKERS STALL

ANDERSEN WILL ACT FOR FRAMED WORKER; MASS CAMPAIGN CALLED

#### One In Penitentiary

THIRTY-SEVEN TO FACE "RIOTING" CHARGES: PROTESTS ASKED

SAN FRANCISCO, May 21.— James F. Workman, Jackson mine on a phoney charge of "having a concealed weapon," has retain

A signed retainer has been givthe freedom of the city and we en Andersen, by Workman, which

> "I hereby retain George R. Andersen, Esq. (I. L. D. Attorney) of San Francisco to represent me in the case of People vs. James F. Workman now pending in Amador County. Dated May 18, 1935. Signed James F. Workman?"

Another miner, Canales, arrest ed at the same time as Workman, already has been sent to San Quentin by mine-owner justsame charge and on the basis of the same weapon now being used to frame Workman.

### \* Vandeleur Stalls.

Although the miners arrested are American Federation of Labor members, the A. F. of L. defense committee headed by Edward Vandeleur of the San Francisco Labor Council has made no attempt to get bail, \$2000 cash, in Workman's case-reduced, nor has there been any form of mass protest against the arrest and the reign of vigilante terror which formed the background of the ar-

Andersen and the I. L. D. moved to save the miners after two wires had been received from Workman and his wife, requesting dynamite frame-up and immediate the I. L. D. to take immediate I ly released by the police, was ex-(Continued On Page 3, Col. 8) | pelled from the union

Wagner Bill Is

Employers' Tool

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 20.—The strike-breaking Wagner

Labor Disputes Bill passed in the Senate last week by a vote of 63

#### Write To the Comrades Who Are in Prison

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

SAN FRANCISCO, May 20.—The eight comrades framed to one to fourteen years in the state penitentiaries at San Quentin and Tehachapi as a result of the Sacramento Criminal Syndicalism trials would like to hear from you.

These are the eight: San Quentin, Calif. Albert Hougardy, No. 57590. Pat Chambers, No. 57589. Martin Wilson, No. \$7591. Jack Crane, No. 57605. Norman Mini, No. 57606.

Women's State Prison, Tehachapi, Calif. Nora Conklin, No. 57616. Caroline Decker, No. 57617. Lorine Norman, No. 57618.

### SAILORS UNION **RECALLS FAKER** SCHARRENBERG

UNANIMOUS VOTE OUSTS JINGO FROM CENTRAL LABOR COUNCIL

SAN FRANCISCO, May 21.— The San Francisco Local of the Sailors Union of the Pacific last night voted unanimously to recall Paul Scharrenberg as delegate to the Central Labor Coun-

Scharrenberg who gained publicity here several months ago by stating he "hoped we would have a war with Japan so the seamen could get what they want," is a member of the National Executive Committee of the International

For years he has been the chief red-baiter at Friday night meetings of the Central Labor

The San Pedro local of the Sailors, it was disclosed at last night's meeting here, already has started action to recall Larsen Ballots are out for the recall Carter, reactionary Northwest Sail ors' union delegate to the Marine Federation Convention in April. Marchand, seaman arrested a Modesto in connection with the

## Sinclair Urges Same Steps As Failed Germany

### Real Democracy Cast Aside By Burocrats At Epic Convention; Policy of Class Collaboration Recommended

LOS ANGELES, May 20.—Fought every foot of the way by the bureaucrats of the End Poverty League, the issue of the united front was brought before the EPIC state convention and a vote on the question hamstrung by Upton Sinclair, who called the session a "school in Democracy."

Forced to consider the issue of a united front of all radical and liberal groups against Fascist encroachments by a popular resolution signed by sixty-seven accredited delegates, Sinclair, who engaged in red-baiting throughout the convention to quell uprisings, permitted a debate from the convention platform.

Even after the conclusion of

Stepping to the platform, he

deliberately disregarded the will

the previous vote and made an

a hundred persons sitting on the

a decision which the chairman

called approval. Although the con-

vention voted overwhelmingly for

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other plea:

novement," he said.

By arrangement, speakers for both sides of the issue were selected tional hook-up at caucuses of opponents and proponents and given a limited the thirty-minutes of demagogie appeals to nationalism and abject

As at every other point in the appeals to Roosevelt who consist proceedings when the EPIC re- ently double-crossed him during united front debate to a vote.

bels got out of hand, Sinclair the fall campaign, Sinclair did not made a personal appeal to the have the courage to submit the delegates to appoint only speakers who were delegates. This appeal was to prevent the appearance of Sam Darcy, Communist of the convention as expressed in

Watch the next issue for more detailed inside story on the convention.

Party district organizer, whose presence had been demanded by a number of delegates to argue the proposal.

### \* Vote Postponed.

Then, although it had been agreed that a roll call vote would immediately follow the conclusion of debate, Sinclair deliberately postponed the vote and invited other speakers to the platform. The speakers talked exactly until it was time for Sinclair to

make a 30-minute talk over a na

### WOMEN PICKETS floor who were not delegates-to LUMBER STRIKE

TACOMA UNION WILL ASK WALK-OUT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA WORKERS

EUREKA, Calif., May 20.-Admills and camps were closed as the strike, called May 15 by the Lumber and Sawmill Workers' Union, continued to spread.

The strikers are in high spirits and are conducting militant picket lines, which are being joined by women, wives and relatives of the lumber workers. A strike relief kitchen already is in operatoin, organized by the Women's Auxiliary of the LSWU.

### & Rank and File.

In essence it is a compulsory more, it permits the employer to the rank and file which controls had reason to feel some relief the union here. Demands are the from the constant threat of the same as those of the strikers of electric chair which has been Oregon and Washington.

the Shingleweavers Union of Ta- formed.

(Continued on Page 4, Col. 7) In Santa Fe delegates spoke at sponse.

#### Mass Protest Must Defeat Fascist Laws

SACRAMENTO, Cal., May 20.-The adjournment of the State Legislature is set for June. Mass pressure on your Assembly representatives is needed on these bills:

A. B. 107 and A. B. 108. Together they comprise the most vicious legislation ever proposed in the state, giving employers arbitrary power in the suppression of all working class organization. These bills must be killed.

A. B. 419. Calls for the repeal of the Criminal Syndicalism Law. This bill must be passed.

Wire or write your Assemblyman today.

VIGILANTE ACTION IN HAYWARD FOUGHT BY RELIEF UNIONS

OAKLAND, May 20.-Faustine "I appeal to you to avoid enter- Ortiz of Local No. 9 of the Pubing into agreements with organiza- lic Works and Unemployed Untions which would discredit our ion, who was slugged by sheriff's deputies May 15, and was kidnap-Disregarding the minority teled by the same deputies May 16 port of the resolutions commit and held in the Niles lock-up, tee, recommending a united front went to the District Attorney's with Communists, Socialists, trade office May 17 to swear out warunions and other groups, Sinclair rants for kidnaping.

proposed his own demagogic re-Ortiz was told, while held in Niles, that he was being held on "I move that we form a united suspicion of criminal syndicalism, front with all sincere democratic and he was not brought back to groups that believe in Democ-Hayward until a large delegation from East Bay locals of the P. W. U. U. had demanded warrants \* Rank and File Ignored. for kidnaping from the District

#### With insurgents protesting, the Attorney's office. motion was railroaded through \* Mass Delegation. the convention—with not less than

# MASS PRESSURE BLOCKS GALLUP

GOVERNMENT AUTHORITES PROMISE NO WORKERS TO BE SHIPPED OUT

Kidnap Probe Denied

BOB MINOR TO TALK AT NEW YORK PROTEST DEMONSTRATION

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 20. -In response to pressure from workers and liberals the Federal Immigration Commission has given written guarantee that no Gallup, N. M., defense witnesses will be deported until after the trial of the ten workers framed on nurder charges is concluded.

All deportation hearings have been ordered postponed until the completion of the defense testimony in the miner's trial

Meanwhile a Republican-Democrat coalition of reactionaries crushed in the House of Representatives the resolution of Representative Marcantonia calling upon the Department of Justice to investigate the Gallup terror and the kidnaping of Robert Minor and David Levinson, defense leaders, by armed, masked vigilantes in the pay of the Gallup-American Coal Company.

### Admit Terror.

A wire from a United States attorney in Santa Fe to the Department of Justice here declared: "No question but that Levinson, Minor and others in their group are in great danger while in Gallup area despite efforts of Governor and State authorities to give them adequate protection."

The Department of Justice has refused to act and puts forward a technicality as an alibi. Depart-A delegation of workers from ment officials declare the Federal many East Bay organizations ac- Government cannot act because companied Ortiz to the office of Minor and Levinson were thrown the District Attorney on May 17 out on Navajo Indian Territory and backed the demand that the and nothing could be done unless (Continued on Page 3, Col. 6.) it was shown an Indian had been among the kidnapers.

Robert Minor will give a firsthand account of the kidnaping and terror at a mass meeting in Madison Square Garden, New York City, Wednesday night, May 29.

# Gallup Defense

SANTA FE, N. M., May 20-Mobilization of trade union and liberal support in defense of the ten Gallup workers framed on first-degree murder charges speeded up as a result of various Gallup. Defense Conferences held recent-

Unions Backing

Juan Ochoa, outstanding native New Mexican working class leader, Joe Bartol, president of Local 6821 of the United Mine Workers of America, and twelve others still held in the death house of the The strike is in the hands of State Penitentiary in Santa Fe, hanging over them since their ar-

rest weeks ago.

# Union Support. Representatives of the Brother-

a meeting in Carpenters' Hall to enlist the support of the American Federation of Labor and promises of support already have been received from several Spanish-American fraternal organiza-

A group from the Santa F Branch of the American Civil Liberties Union, headed by Defense Attorney A. L. Wirin, forced Governor Clyde Tingley to promise a grand jury investigation of the Minor-Levinson kidnaping. The governor however postponed immediate action, saying he would have to consult District Judge M. A. Otero, Jr., who has been in New York.

### MINOR IN DENVER.

DENVER, Colo., May 20.-Robwere present at an Albuquerque meeting here last week, giving a meeting and sent letters urging detailed description of the white support to their headquarters in terror raging in New Mexico, Folwas given with a roaring re-

### Herndon Plea Denied By the Supreme Court

WASHINGTON, D. C. May 21.—The Supreme Court yesterday denied the appeal of Angelo Herndon, young Negro unemployed leader convicted in Georgia on the absurd charge of "attempting to incite an insurrection." Herndon was active in organizing jobless workers, Negro and white, in struggles for adequate relief. To get him out of the way. Georgia bosses invoked an ancient slave revolt law which had been gathering dust since the Civil War.

Justice Brandeis, Cardozo and Stone urged granting of the appeal but were overruled by the rest of the Court. Immediate protests should

be sent to the Supreme Court. Washington, D. C.

Herndon faces a sentence of 18-20 years on the murderous Georgia chain gangs.

Make Hay Under

Roosevelt's NRA

CENTURY FUND SURVEY

SHOWS 2,500,000 IN

FAKE UNIONS

NEW YORK, May 17.-That

section 7a of the Recovery Act

helped spread company unionism

is the conclusion of a report

made public April 28th by the

Twentieth Century Fund. "Fre-

quent resource to striking power

may be condemned," says the re-

port, "but the power, not merely

the abstract right to strike when

necessary is a prerequisite to an

(Company unions in general and

section 7a in particular have as

their main purpose to prevent the

use of strike power.-Ed. com-

The fund's staff estimated that

about 2,500,000 employes are or-

ganized under company union

plans, compared with a total trade

The combined total of the two

groups totals only 21 per cent of

the 32,000,000 wage earners of

Between 1919 and 1932 the

number of workers in company

unions increased from 404,000 to

The report points out that

union membership of 4,200,000.

equitable bargaining relationship.'

### **UHLE ANTI-RED** MOVE KILLED BY COMMITTEE

S. F. SUPERVISOR RUNS OUT ON HIS OWN PROPOSAL

SAN FRANCISCO, May 17.— The Board of Supervisor's Committee today killed the resolution introduced May 13 by Supervisor Uhl, that the Board memorialize the national Congress in favor of an 8-point anti-labor legislative program. The resolution asked Congress to bar the mails to workers' liferature and publications, prevent interstate transportation of such literature, and pass, other so-called "anti-red" billa.

Adolph Uhl, sponsor of the resolution, left the meeting before the discussion on it began. Whereen Ida Rottstein, of the International Labor Defense, speaking against it, asked the meeting if he was afraid to back his own act Seeing that the sentiment of the entire audience was strongly opposed to it the committee killed the resolution without debate, af ters one of them declared," I believe we should not propose this resolution because it deals with federal questions." But he indicated he was in favor of such anti-labor laws in California when he added, "But I'm in favor of deling with such questions lo

### **Jobless Jottings**

By the Boondoggler.

oondoggling is the mysterious art perfected by the unemployed them not guilty they could sue in recent years of constructing the state and recover damages, useful objects out of discarded, and that they did not want them unnoticed materials. The meaning as applied to this column is the same only it applies to events and people.

#### BALLOON DOLLARS.

County Supervisor John R. Ouinn walked in on Harry I Hopkins at Washington the other day and "touched" him for a million and a half of Roosevelt's inflated dollars, to be used by L. A. County for relief purposes. .

No doub! the memory of March 22nd, when several hundred militant unemployed workers under the leadership of the P. W. U. L. invaled the sanctuary of the Supervisors' Chambers with their demands, helped to lend eloquence to his plea.

It now develops that possibly "Czar Hopkins" has given "Trusting Quinn" the "runaround" and there is no end of misunderstanding ito be cleared up. "Sir John thought the million and a half was to be a "gift" from a generous Unifed States Government while "Handsome Harry" infers he was under the impression it was only possible as a "loan," and as usual those on relief are the ones who

### HIGH CLASS BOOZERS

A judge of the Municipal Court exertising his judicial wisdom has made a habit in the past month of handing out many drastic sixmonths sentences to S. E. R. A. workers who were so unfortunite as to appear before him charged with being intoxicated.

Would the Judge, had she appeared before him in his official capacity, have handed six months in jall to a certain gorgeously gowned female "drunk" that was judiciously assisted from a swanky L. A night club the other night? One guess. . . .

### SMALL\* STOMACHS.

combined process of mathematics and anatomy do you or your budget makers arrive at the conclusipn that transient workers and their families on relief in California have stomachs 20 per cent smaller than those of other relief workers in the same state? Family of two, transient, weekly check \$3.92. Family of two, S. E. R. A. weekly check, \$5.11.

DON'T TASTE. On a bulletin put out by the

Social Service Division of the S. E. R. A. instruction the people on relief how to prepare hamburger and canned beef so they be employed for a week or two be appetizing, we find the following statement under-scored without any kind of job. This is in black, . . . do not even taste just one of their rotten ways of

sueant to apply to the canned you how much money is being beef after being opened 24 hours. people poisoned by the putrid have plenty of money to clean mess labeled as canned beef and dispensed by the Federal Surplus Relief Corporation . . . do not taste at any time would be better | dle of Western Workers and dis- state a single demand for which advice

## FREE SPEECH JURY SHOWED EXTREME PREJUDICE, SAYS JUROR IN LETTER TO JUDGE

Glad of Chance to Send Radicals to Jail And Refused to Consider Case On Evidence

SAN FRANCISCO, May 20.—August J. Alger, one of the three Connors, active union member jurors who voted for acquittal of Leo Gallagher and three others on charges of inciting to riot, has addressed a letter to Municipal Judge automobile force of 3,000 workers Lazarus who presided at the trial, in which he states that members of the jury showed extreme bias and refused to discuss the evidence on its merits. The deadlocked jury was dismissed when they failed and cushion departments. The to reach a verdict.

M. Alger, Democratic candi-osaid in part in his letter:

#### \* No Rioting

the testimony of witnesses that who is warped or biased can be there was no riot at Mission Dolores Park on March 17, 1935. Hall they (the police) permitted the defendants in the free speech sold out by Francis Dillon who lawful meeting to carry on unless trial will move for dismissal of used his offices as A. F. of L. and until there was an actual the case in judge Lazarus' court organizer to delay militant action violation of some law or ordi- Tuesday, May 21. nance, which they failed to prove, the meeting would have dispersed

The letter describes the first ballot in the jury room and a bitter talk by the jury foreman who slandered the accused workers because of defendant Leo Gal laghers militant attitude in court.

#### Red Baiters

"Another juror made the statement that she was glad to be on jury in this kind of a case," the letter continues, "so she could send the radicals to jail; that they should never be permitted to speak or hold meetings anywhere in the open. Two other jurors made the statement that while they did not believe them guilty of rioting, yet they would not vote for acquittal, because if we found to get any of the taxpayer's mor

#### \* Prejudiced Jurors.

extreme bias against all commu- able. nists and reds. There were only

date for the assembly from the any of the meetings of the Com-26th district in the last election, munist Party, nor do I believe in their ideas. Merely as a citizen of San Francisco I wish to justify the minority on this jury, and per-"I personally feel convinced from haps entertain a hope that a juror

excluded from the jury."

### Aged Face Hunger As Pension Funds Nearly Exhausted

TWENTY APPLICATIONS SHELVED; 675 NOW DEPENDENT

PHOENIX, Ariz., May 18.-(FP)-Six hundred and seventy five Maricopa county old age pensioners face loss of their June cash allowance from the state and county unless emergency funds are made available.

All but \$2,086.88 of \$60,000 bud geted by the county to pay its share of the pensions has been spent and that will have been exaccording to Supervisor George Frve. Unless the county pays it share of the pensions it was said "The next two also expressed the state's share will not be avail- rado beet fields by providing state

three on this jury who actually the supervisors, it has been de considered the case on its merits cided not to add any more per and tried to weigh the evidence." sons to the pension rolls. Twenty Mr. Alger concludes with the applications for pensions accord- and no hearings granted in any statement: "I have never attended ingly were shelved today.

# OF FIRED MAN

PACKARD PLANT IS SCENE OF LATEST COMPANY ATTACK ON UNION

DETROIT, Mich., May 20. Demanding reinstatement of Joe recently fired, the enire Packard has been locked out, following a strike of 700 in the trim, back strike is lead by the Mechanics Education Society of America,

Picketing is going on. Connors. who was fired, has been elected as representative to the works council in the recent elections conducted by the Automobile Labor Board.

TOLEDO, Ohio, May 20.-The General Motors strike and lock-Leo Gallagher, one of the four out involving 33,000 workers was indefinitely, thus allowing the General Motors, Roosevelt, William Green and the other parasites isolate 2,350 Chevrolet strikers. Scores of times the workers of

other factories had indicated their them all. readiness to strike but were prevented from doing so by the stallng of Dillon and Green. The Communist Party points out that restrike action should

be taken immediately if the Company fails to carry out the terms of the memorandum of settlement which Dillon negotiated, over the heads of the rank and file.

#### Governor Deports Workers Illegally

DENVER, Colo., May 21. -Governor Johnson, of Colorado who recently announced his intention of calling out the National Guard to help deport 40,000, and established a concentration camp pended by the end of the month, for deportees in Golden, Colo., on May 9 forcibly ejected 32 Spanish Americans from the Colo police to escort them to the New For the time being, according to Mexico state line. The governor said they "might become public charges." No warrants were issued of the cases.

# AUTO WORKERS 10 Indicted On Spy's Testimony

MODESTO, May 20.—James Scrudder, one of the stool-pigeons responsible for the dynamite plot frame-up, was a principal prosecution witness in the secret grand jury hearing here which indicted ten members of San Francisco Scrudder was helping police search waterfront unions on six counts for a cache of 75 more sticks of of unlawful possession of explos- dynamite. Nothing more definite ives and blackjacks. He testified was heard of him until he presentthat the "plot" was hatched in ed his "testimony" at the hear-San Francisco and that he drove ing. one of the cars to Patterson on the supposed mission to dynamite & Speedy Prosecution. Standard Oil property.

#### \* Who Planted Explosives?

known. But, due to his leading would have lasted a week. role as a stool pigeon in this ten union workers he was one

### Mussolini Faces **Greatest Crisis**

COSTS FORCED UPON MUTINOUS MEN

ROMF, Italy, May 18.—Italy is in the throes of the greatest crisis in its history. Two pay cuts have been forced on the Italian workers by the Mussolini regime, while the cost of living has jumped 20 per cent.

The Italian working class is dally showing its resentment to Mussolini's plans to scize Ethi opia. Mutinies among the Italian troops in Africa are growing, and the Italian masses at home, under the leadership of the Italian Communist Party, are increasing their response to the slogan of "hands off Abyssinia.'

Scrudder was promptly released, while nine others were held on \$20,000 bail each. In response to questions the authorities at first gave out the story that

District Attorney Leslie A Cleary has expressed satisfaction at the way the secret grand jury Whether Scrudder was the one indictments have speeded up the who placed the twelve sticks of case, saving the heavy expense of dynamite in the cars is not yet the preliminary hearings which frame-up, it is considered quite tion is revealed in his statement likely. Posing as a friend of the that the authorities have avoided

The real source of his satisfac-"Communist demonstrations" by who helped engineer a proposed the secret indictments and speedy joy ride to Modesto. When the arraignments. Cleary declared he three cars containing the party had learned of the intention of neared Patterson a large posse ["Communist agitators to be here of deputies and company guards, at the preliminary session." Which who had been lying in wait for clearly indicates the anxiety of hours, stopped them, "discovered" the police to prevent any mass twelve sticks of dynamite, beat up defense moves by the workers many of the workers and jailed which would expose the whole

### Workers Urged Not To Buy at Scabby Marin-Dell Plants

SAN FRANCISCO, May 21.boycott has been declared against its products by the Central Labor Council here. Workers are urged not to patronize this company.

The Marin-Dell Company is attempting to smash the Dairy and Creamery Employees Union, Local 304, and consistently has refused to recognize the union or live up to union wages and hours of work agreed upon by other producers in the field.

Marin-Dell distributes the products of the following producers F. Faustino, Borge and Bettencourt, Mary Brazil, J. F. Cunha, M. A. Nunes, D. Levorini, Dr. T. P. Bodkins, Chas. C. Barboni, J. J. Dias, R. Ghisletti, F. P Grady, M. Matos, J. S. Mendonca, M. B. Pinheiro, J. C. Wilkins, Corda Bros., Mr. Leal and

### What, No Food? Sock!-Grocery Order Arrives

DENVER, Colo., May 20. -Howard Hodeshell, unemployed worker and father of children is in jail for beating up a "social welfare" worker after his relief had been stop-

Hodeshell openly admitted his "crime."

dent, the local welfare bureau knocked at Mrs. Hodeshell's door to deliver a huge basket of groceries.

### LOWER RELIEF **WAGE PLANNED** BY ROOSEVEL

30 PER CENT BELOW

In this manner the Roosevelt 1,300,000, while membership in

Relief rolls declined by approxi- where bona fide, trade unions were mately 300,000 between March not wanted and some organiza-PAY CUTS, HIGH LIVING The Marin-Dell Milk Company is and April, Federal Administrator tion was imminent, the company unfair to organized labor and a Hopkins admitted indicating the New Deal wage cutting, relief-roll slashing program is getting under

> Hopkins refused to predict how many men would be put to work under the latest Roosevelt Plan.

#### DR. LEON KLEIN

DENTIST

1306 Fillmore St.

# Company Unions

ped.

Two hours after the inci-

PAY MAY BE SLASHED TO ment.) PREVAILING RATE

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 20.—New Deal "planning experts" have draw up a tentative plan providing for the slashing of relief the country. wages to a point 30 per cent below prevailing wages in private industry.

the A. F. of L. fell from 3,300,000 regime is preparing the way for putting into effect the new four to 2,500,000. The present growth billion dollars work plan widely from 1,300,000 to 2,500,000 was hailed as giving "relief" to mil- over a period of only two years.

"Unless you catch me off guard," he declared, "you'll never hear me predict how many men we put to work, and when."

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San Francisco

Special Reduction for Party Members and Sympathizers

#### unions were put in, "indicating an attempt to comply with a collective bargaining law and yet not bargain with a trade union.'

The report concludes that company unions have failed to function as genuine collective bargaining agencies because:

1-Company union representa-

& Defeated Collective Bargaining.

tives, being on the employers' payroll, fear to take an aggressive stand for fear of discharge or other disciplinary measures.

2-Employes are fettered to the company, which pays all expenses and furnishes meeting places.

3—Company unions rarely back up their demands by strike threats. 4 — Bargaining representatives are isolated from other workers in the same industry.

6—Company unions do not usuilly lead to signed agreements for xed periods of time. «

### Can You Answer These Questions?

ANSWER ON PAGE 5

Beginning with this issue there vill be a series of questions and inswers on the Maritime and General strikes of 1934. The lessons of these strikes are of the utmost importance to all class conscious workres.

Follow these questions and see how well informed you are on this chapter in the history of the American working class. We are going to present it as a drama in four acts. This week we will introduce some of the leading characters.

### QUESTIONS

Can you identify the following

1. Harry Bridges.

2. Harry Jackson

3. H. Holman. 4. William Lewis.

5. Joseph P. Ryan.

6. Paul Scharrenberg.

7. Andrew Furuseth.

8. "Dirty" Deal. 9. Michael Casey.

### 10. Boynton.

#### Unemployed Worker Faces Deportation WASHINGTON, May 20. -

John Ujich was arrested for deportation because he tried to organize the unemployed against a \$1.20 a week ration. The principal witness against him was one A. B. Comfort, now under arrest for embezzlement of state relief funds.

Three federal courts, including the United States Supreme Court, have refused to write an opinion on the appeal in this case. They ing to the pressure of the U. S.

Ujich now comes up before

### Big Ranchers Offered Help By the SERA

pound. Mr. Cummings, the SERA official, has offered to furnish all the ranch owner

The other day he had an article in a local paper stating that he was going to cut several hundred off relief so they could work in the fields and orchards.

from this exploiter.

By a Worker Correspondent. STOCKTON, Calif., May 20.-I am working on the Ohio Bros. canch near here picking cherries for 13/4c per

can use at this price.

#### Contractor Pays \$1.80 Wages for One Week's Work

By a Worker Correspondent. STOCKTON, Calif., May 20.-

. Sanchez, widely known labor simply affirmed the decision of contractor here is one of the big- the Labor Department, thus vieldgest exploiters in the County. He works men long hours at Chamber of Commerce and the starvation, or worse than starva Hearst press. tion rates of pay.

A worker employed by this con- Frances Perkins for final say as to tractor to thin peaches near here, whether he, after living here for worked five hours, ten hours 30 years, must go back to fasevery day, and his check at the cist Italy. Ujich, who was born end of the week was exactly \$1.80 in Austria, is a known anti-fascist Workers should not accept jobs and does not speak a word of

# From The Worker Correspondents

### **Forcing Workers** Off S.E.R.A. By Take Job Offer

RELIEF WORKERS FORCED

TO CLEAN UP LAND

OF BIG GROWER

By a Worker Correspondent. REEDLEY, Calif., May 18. am just a single worker working on the King's river flood control project in Fresno County Here's an incident that happened during work one day. We are working on a 3-mile piece of the river which runs through his big ranch. This farmer owns about 400 acres of productive land plant ed in fruit. We are only supposed but since we are on his place we Frank V. McLaughlin, by what are clearing some places as far as 300 feet from the river. If this was a poor farmer's place we would be doing the ordinary work so you can see he is getting part of his land cleaned for noth ing. But still he is not satisfied so he takes it out on a Mexican

The method they use is when one of the main bosses is around this rat of a big farmer will offer him a job. If he refuses they will kick him off the SERA. His salary is 25 cents an hour, but the worst part of it is he'll probably at the most and then he is left discharging workers. Einstein is This bit of culinary wisdom was this farmer's name. This shows spent for the benefits of these But considering the number of so-called big landowners who

worker, and forces him off the

Workers, farmers! Get a bun- being unfair to labor, but do not tribute them to your shop mates, to fight. Better relief, higher wag- I management to make the mates, to fight.

their own land.

### UTAH LABOR NEWS WORRIES OVER WHISKEY, NOT WORKERS

Salt Lake Workers Need Paper That Will Lead Them In Struggle to

**Better Their Conditions** 

By A Worker Correspondent SALT LAKE CITY, May 20.—Workers in Salt Lake City have many problems confronting them. The wage-slashing, speed up campaign must be fought if we are to win a decent standard of living. The union scale of wages for common labor in the building industry here is 65 cents an hour, but several buildings have been razed here, and the bosses are paying only 40 cents an hour, with the speed-up something fierce. They take advantage of the unemployment and sur-

plus labor here to increase their profits at the expense of the workers. In spite of the need of organization to fight for improved work- es, unemployment insurance, exing conditions, there is nothing be- emption of small homes from ing done. As an example of bureaucratic do-nothing, I offer you

#### the Utah Labor News, the local ting. A. F. of L. paper:

\* Side-tracks Workers.

not interested in struggle for better conditions. It prints screaming headlines about-whiskey. The quarrels between local politicians and the kind of booze sold, are what interests its editor. Having quarreled with the Democratic Party, and being aware that the workers are disillusioned with the present regime, they give lip-service to building a new political are beginning to wake up, should

But take the issue of May 10 On the first page is printed a high sounding "Declaration of the People of Utah For Independent Political Action." This is merely a poorly written parody of the Declaration of Independence with some phrases from the Gettysburg Address. On page two they print an editorial calling for a new par-

In neither of these can any proposal be found which will bene-In fact, the new demagogues

don't intend doing anything. They

accuse the Democratic Party of

of the problems that confront us. If we can get our problems in print and distribute the papers to have in jail." the workers, we can arouse them to the point where they will drive the fakers out of the unions, and take over the labor papers and carry on a real fight for the eman cipation of the working class. The Bear Lunch

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taxes, these are only a few of the

things we need, but are not get-

Instead of fighting for the work-

ers, the Utah Labor News ap-

peals to everybody to buy goods

with union labels. This is very

good, but can we end the misery

and suffering around us merely

by asking persons to look for the

union labels, and not by organiz-

ing these non-union shops and

forcing employers to pay us union

Workers of Salt Lake City who

write to the Western Worker,

a real working class paper, felling

wages under union conditions?

\* Real Fight Needed.

# Nurse Terrorized

CHAMPNESS HELPS LARGE RANCHERS IN ATTACK ON FARM WORKERS

By a Worker Correspondent. BAKERSFIELD, Cal., May 20. -A big merchant boss and exploiter who runs a store at Nine teenth and Baker Streets here had been taking treatments for a weak

One day when he was supposed to take a treatment he forgot and the doctor's nurse (Dr. Joseph K. Smith) telephoned him reminding him of the treatment. The nurse, a working girl, injected the serum in his arm and his heart the fact that the Red scare has was so weak he dies next daywhich was good for the workers. But our big long-legged scabserum. He put her in a room with the murderer of Pedro Su-

her for two days and nights. writ of mandamus. The scabherder Champness told the doctor he did not know his nurse tinues to put over wage cuts etc had been arrested. The doctor told him, "You sure are a fine sheriff not to know whom you

bio, Tom Carter and the harnes-

sed bulls took turns questioning

This Summer this scab-herding sheriff is going to hire a group of gunmen to terrorize the workers in this county. The bosses' upnion, The Farm Bureau, is going to meet soon to set a rate of starvation wages for the workers and now is the time for all of us to present a united front and demand a decent living wage.

Lets attend the mass demonstration at the supervisor's meeting on May 29 to demand better working conditions and better conditions at the county hospital

## STOCKTON WORKERS' CLUB GROWS By Kern Sheriff DESPITE RED SCARE BALLYHOO

### Rank and File Member of Socialist-Run Opposition Outfit Puts S. E. R. A. Official on the Spot

By A Worker Correspondent

STOCKTON, Calif., May 20.—At a meeting of the San Joaquir

County Workers Union held May 16, 25 workers from the SERA and

unemployed joined the organization and paid their first months' dues and initiation. This was only the third meeting and there are more than 150 workers attending. At the last meeting it was voted to affiliate with the State Federation of Unemployed and Allied Organizations and the charter has already been paid for and will be here this week. Despite

workers are paying no attention. At a meeting of the Socialistto the nurses home and arrested controlled New Deal Club held her, accusing her of making the here recently Mr. Lewis, the chairman, took the floor for one-half hour to try to convince the workers that prosperity is back again because many are buying new When Dr. Smith found out she cars. Lewis is one of the head was in jail he engaged two noted officials of the SERA and got lawyers and got her out on a himself elected chairman so he could more easily keep the workers satisfied while Roosevelt con-

Lewis was interrupted in the

been raised by SERA officials the

middle of his talk by a rank and file worker who could no longer listen to the ballyhoo about prosperity, and as a result the worker is "not wanted any longer around the New Deal Club Hall." All the worker said was: "It may be some of you officials are drawing fat salaries but we workers can't buy an old tire for our Fords." He was given a big hand by the rest of the members and that. ended the meeting.

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N. Y. Cops and Legionnaires Slug Youth NEW YORK, May 20.—One of six youths slugged by police and legionnaires for distributing anti-war leaflets at a jingoist parade is in the hospital with concussion of the brain. The boy was dragged by the hair until his clothing ripped on the pavement, an officer struck him in the face with a revolver and he was then given into the hands of five legionnaires who picked him up and threw him bodily on the ground a number of times. When he regained consciousness in the patrol wagon the officers jumped on him. He was beaten again at the night court, again at another night court, and a jailer struck him in the face with a heavy bundle of keys the fol lowing day. The magistrate dismissed him without a trial and sent him home, where he collapsed and was rushed to a hospital.

### III. Socialists Vote to Expel Lang

CHICAGA, May 20.—The Illinois State Socialist Party Convention has voted for the expulsion of Harry Lang, member of the staff of the Socialist newspaper Forward and author of the recent anti-Soviet articles which appeared in the Hearst papers. The delegates expressed regret that the New York organization had merely suspended Lang for one year instead of expelling him outright. The convention also went on record for a Federated Labor Party.

### ... Share Croppers Strike for \$1 A Day

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., May 20.—The Share Croppers Union is leading a strike of cotton croppers for one dollar a day for a ten hour day. The struggle is gaining ground in three Alabama Black Belt Counties. In Lowndes County the strikers have been offered a raise from 35 cents a day to 50 cents a day. Workers organizations are demanding that FERA relief be given the strikers. Two strike leaders have been jailed and fear is felt for their safety in this lynchridden country.

### Professor Fired For Labor Activity

ALLENTOWN, Pa., May 20.-Students of Cedar Crest College girls school near here, are circulating petitions demanding reinstatement of Professor Winslow Hallett, fired by the trustees for his labor activities. The students threaten to strike if the trustees do an Epic candidate, backed by evnot rescind their action. Professor Hallet has been active in the ery one of the 48 states, to oppose labor movement since July, 1934, taking part in struggles of the him." unemployed League and organizing a local of the American Federation of Teachers in Allentown. President Curtis of the College stated that Hallett's classroom work was satisfactory, and the reason for his dismissal was his interest in the labor movement.

### Court Ignores Graft By Relief Official

PHILADELPHIA, May 20-Nathan Smukler, chief officer of the S. S. Mecy, which is used as the seamen's transient relief station here, had his case dismissed when he came into court on charges of stealing \$3,400 relief money. The dismissal was made despite statements of Special Deputy Attorney General Spatola that he had a mass of evidence against the ship's officer. Smukler was charged with stealing from unemployed seamen, overcharging them for everything they bought with their \$1 a week cash allowance. He was accused of forging bills and endorsements on checks.

### Florida Workers Fight Forced Labor

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., May 20 .- A delegation of 25 from the Florida Council of Unemployed Leagues are appearing in the Florida legislature protesting a proposed "vagrancy act" which would render unemployed liable to sentence to forced labor for refusing to accept work, regardless of the wages offered.

Louise Todd's

Appeal Hearing

Up Mon., May 27

SAN FRANCISCO, May

21.-Hearing on the appeal

in the conviction of Louise

Todd on framed charges of

perjury will take place Mon-

day, May 27, at 10 a. m., First

Division, State Court of Ap-

peals, State Building at Mc-

Allister and Larkin Streets,

Workers! Sympathizers!

Friends! Pack the court room

Monday morning. Rescue this

comrade from the penitentiary

to which she has been sen-

tenced by ruling class "jus-

tice." Mass pressure can do

it. Send protest wires to the

court, demanding uncondition-

al release of Louise Todd. Act

San Francisco.

### JUDGE AGREES WITH COMPANY ON 1-MAN CARS

PEOPLE'S VOTE AGAINST PROPOSITION VETOED

BY COURT ORDER SAN FRANCISCO, May 18.-

Despite the protest of the people of this city against the oneman cars evidenced in the overwhelming vote against them in the recent election, Federal Judge Louderback today issued a neworder permitting the Market St. Railway Company to spread its use of these cars over the city.

Going out of his character of judge and openly showing him self as Samuel Kalin's man, Louderback accompanied his order with a comment setting forth all the arguments of safety, etc. which the other Kahin agents have used during the campaign of the Market Street Railway to put over · the one-man cars, and its consequent mass layoff of platform

The new order restrains the city from enforcing the ordinance against the one-mail cars pending the outcome of the company's appeal for a permanent injunction against the ordinance. It gives all the latitude the company wants at present for the spread of the cars. By defining the relatively small territory and hours where they may not operage, it opens up three-quarters of the city to the use of these one-man cars for most of the time and all of the city, including congested Market and Mission Streets during the night runs and weekends and by openly admitting its rearming, holidays.

The sabotaging of the fight of the workers against these unsafe cars and their increased unemployment, by Edward Vandeleur and other A. F. L. officials, who sidetracked the campaign into a purely election struggle, was clearly shown up in Louderback's new order, when the vote of the people of the city counted for nothing. More effective methods of struggle are being demanded by the rank and file, aroused by the new injunction.

# East of the Rockies Youth Plan Demonstrations

### Sinclair Openly Backs Roosevelt For Re-election

COMPROMISE URGED BY MISLEADER AT EPIC CONVENTION

LOS ANGELES, May 17.—Upton Sinclair today clearly came out for Roosevelt in the 1936 presidential elections.

Sinclair, who made the keynote speech at the convention, was introduced by Richard S Otto, retiring president of the End Poverty League, who referred to the founder of the Epic movement as a "second Jesus Christ."

"We are going to try to sway President Roosevelt before the convention," said Sinclair, "to come out for production for use. On September 5, last, he told me he was going to do it before October 25." (An amused titter.)

"It is up to you, because he told me he couldn't move any faster than the people would let him.

\* Meaning Sinclair?

"If he doesn't come out for barcadero. production for use we will have

However, Sinclair indicated this was not to be taken too serious ly, for "we don't believe Roosevelt can lose the Democratic nomination, but we will demand in the Democratic platform a clear cut plank of production for use.'

& Fancy Stepping.

Sinclair said that the first year of the Roosevelt administration, the president took two steps to the left and one to the right. Now, Sinclair declared, Roosevelt is taking one step to the left and CENTRAL LABOR COUNCIL two to the right.

\* Voice of Betrayal.

Despite his seeming disapproval of Roosevelt's foot-work, Sinclair himself, at one point in his speech said: "The reason we did not get elected last fall was because the Epic program was too radical. I it had not been so radical, we would have won." And with this Sinclair, too, subscribed to Roose velt formula of one step to the left and two steps to the right.

Sinclair, in campaigning for Roosevelt, said he felt sure Epiforces would support the Presi dent "because we believe he is better than anyone Wall Street will select and because we, as sensible people believe that half a loaf is better than none.'

#### 4600 Shipbuilders Demand Wage Raise, Union Recognition

CAMDEN, N. J., May 17. -The strike of 4.600 employees of the New York Shipbuilding Cor poration has tied up nearly \$50,-(10)00000 in naval construction, including three cruisers and four destroyers. The men, who are demanding increased pay and union recognition, are members of the Industrial Union for Marine and Shipbuilding Workers-of America, an independent union.

## YOUTH PRESS FOR PERMIT FOR MAY 30 DEMONSTRATION

S. F. Police Try to Side-Track Anti-War Meet to So. Park; Committee Demands Right to Embarcadero

SAN FRANCISCO, May 20.— Youth organizations are initiating a mass campaign for the right to hold their May 30 demonstration against war and fascism on shipments of war materials.

So far, the Police Department has refused to grant any permit for a mass meeting on the Embarcadero, insisting that all meetings should be held in the segregated "free speech zone" at South Park.

Realizing the mass pressure behind the Youth Congress, they have granted a permit to assemble for a march on the waterfront, A All Day Outing. and to return there for embarking on the Paradise Cove outing. The Congress delegates, however, refused to be put off with this, and are demanding the right to hold their meeting on the Em-

\* Sham Excuses.

The sham reasons of the police department for refusing the permit, done on the grounds of "traffic congestion," were expos- may be obtained at the Congress ed by the delegation which point- headquarters.

ed out that May 30, a holiday, sees very little traffic on the wa-

terfront. Mass conferences to build up preparations for May 30 are held the Embarcadero, to give effective- at the Congress headquarters, 68 ness to their protest against the Haight street, every Tuesday ever ning at 8 o'clock and at 3 p. m. All organizations, whether or not they are affiliated to the Congress program, are invited to send

> The Pacific Coast Congress against war is mobilizing all adult organizations to back the youth demonstration.

demonstration.

Plans are being pushed fast for the outing to follow the demonstrations. Launches will leave Pier 14 calling at Oakland at the foot of Broadway, and then proeeeding to Paradise Cove. Dancing, sports, swimming, skits, entertainment, and barbecue are planned for the afternoon, with a moonlight ride in the evening.

Tickets, selling at 50 cents,

### Soviet Scientists CHIPEDVICARC' **VOTE FAVORS** C. S. STATUTE

DODGES ISSUE OF SUPPORT

SAN FRANCISCO, May 20.-The County Board of Supervisors by a vote of 9 to 2 reconsider the resolution memorializing the state Criminal Syndicalism Law. resolution originally introduced by Supervisor Gallagher at the re- ure. quest of the State Conference for repeal of the C. S. Law was defeated in the previous medting by a vote of 5 to 4.

\* Much Crawfishing.

on the excuse that labor leaders of the stripe of Edward Vandeleur failed to appear in support of the resolution. Schmidt in a roundabout talk on the need of some substitute" for the present

C. S. law being needed before its repeal took his stand against reconsideration. Shannon flatly opposed it on the same grounds as Uhl, adding that only Communists seemed to favor repeal.

Mayor Rossi was observed anxiously hovering outside the door waiting for the vote. He seemed

\* Letters Refused.

### Discover Superior Types of Potatoes

MOSCOW, May 21.—Consider find varieties with larger yields, ed in the strike. and better frost, drought, and disease-resisting qualities.

sent from the Soviet Union to Peru, the home of the potato, and other countries. He brought back over 5,000 different specimens, and legislature in favor of passage of other expeditions followed, cover-Bill 419, the bill to repeal the ing every imaginable elevation ey from the American Civil Liberover 60 degrees of latitude, and ties Union was present as Ortiz all conditions of heat and moist-

As a result of these studies, development of frost-resistant varieties is a certainty. Already frost-resistant hybrids have been evolved which produce a high vield of good quality potatoes. Uhl would not vote to reconsider Other countries have begun to copy the Soviet Union's example.

> to accept a communication from the State Conference for Repeal of the C. S. Law. The letter contained an appeal for the Council | & Forced Labor Conditions. to send a delegate to the Supervisors to actively support its formal stand in favor of repeal.

the communication was rejected

came too late to be considered. On three separate occasions the signed for and received. There permitted none of them to leave expose and fight this vigilante Central Labor Council has refused was no action.

### Tanker Owners Schedule "Talk" With New Board

SEATTLE FIREMEN BACKED BY OTHER UNIONS IN FIGHT ON FAKERS

SAN FRANCISCO, May 21. Admittedly without power to force action, the newly-appointed Cush ing mediation board yesterday had scheduled informal conversations with tanker operators, in an ef fort to bring the two-month old tänker strike to an end.

The companies will not arbidelegations to back the May 30 trate the closed shop issue, the most important factor in the strike. While the operators had sent a complaining letter to Mayor Rossi, outlining their stubborn resistance to any form of union recognition, they nevertheless were fearful of the publicity that might come to them if the strike s aired before the arbitration board.

Meanwhile, attempts of McGovern and other reactionaries in the Firemen's Union here to smash the Seattle Branch of the union hit a snag when unions in the of their militant brothers.

Van Erman, secretary of the Radio Telegraphers' Association, told the Firemen his local would back them to the limit and Burch of the Masters, Mates and Pilots Local 90 declared pledged the support of his organization inhe struggle against the bureauratic, rank-splitting attacks of the district I. S. U. officials.

he lowly potato. For four hund- Committee, sensing the movement

### Then Professor Bukasov was HaywardKidnaping

(Continued From Page 1) vigilante deputies be arrested for kidnaping. Clarence Rust, attornlegal adviser. He was refused ad Relief Director mission to the office by the District Attorney, and when he insisted on entering the room was thrown out bodily.

After a two-hour session th cidnaping warrants were refused the District Attorney offering as an excuse that there was not enough evidence.

Immediately after this session Ortiz was taken to the hospital where his two-day-old bruises were declared not to be serious.

Reports from pea pickers in

When asked personally why ing conditions of the agricultural beaten and the others were haul workers were frightful prompted ed out on a lonely road, photog-O'Connell, of the Central Labor the Public Workers and Unem- raphed and told to walk home, Council, disclaimed all knowledge ploved Union to send a delegation and not to return. of it. Vandeleur twice said it of six to the pea fields to investi- The Public Works and Unemgate. It was also reported that ployed Union, together with the The last letter to the Labor the workers were held on the International Labor Defense are Body was registered, and was ranches under armed guards who organizing a mass campaign to the camp without permission and terror.

## Foreign News Briefs

Nazi "Progress" Made in Electric Torture:

WUPPERTAL, Germany, May 20.-The Nazi directors of the Wuppertal prison are utilizing electricity as their latest invention in torture. Electric current leaves no visible trace of maltreatment on a victim's body and causes the most excruciating, agony by tearing down the electrical resistance of the body's organ and by ripping down the tissues internally.

Strike Ties Up World's Biggest Ship

LE HAVRE, France, May 20.-The 2,000 men in the crews of the new French super-liner "Normandie" and the liner "Champlain" have tied up both ships with a strike for pay on a yearly. basis instead of on a trip basis. The strikers sent a delegation to Paris to lay their demands before the Ministry of Marine. Them, "Normandie" is the largest vessel ever built, with an over all length of 1,029 feet and a weight of 79,280 gross tons.

### Completion of Moscow Subway Celebrated

MOSCOW, May 20.-Joseph Stalin and others of the highest leaders of the Party and the Soviet Government joined today in the celebration of the completion of the new Moscow subway: Together with the builders of the great project and workers of the biggest. factories they hailed this new important victory of Socialist construction. Stalin announced the gratitude of the Central Executive Committee and the Council of People's Commissars to the shock workers and all others who built the subway. The Order of Lenin was awarded to the Moscow Young Communist League for its work in securing Young Communists to help in the construction.

### Cuban Communists Call For Unity

HAVANA, May 20.-"No obstacle must interfere in our unifiication to overthrow the bloody dictatorship of the hangman," the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Cuba announces in a new call for immediate unity against the latest series of murders northern city rallied to support by the Batista-Mendietta regime. "Let us not lose any more time in building up the people's front against terror and imperialism," the Central Committee urged, appealing especially to followers of the Seattle branch of the American left petty-bourgeois parties, many of whose leaders have been shot by Batista's butchers in the last few weeks.

### . Imperialists Wrangle Over Siam

BANGKOK, Siam, May 20.—Sir Josiah Crosby, British Minister has had several conferences with officials of the Siamese government during which he "protested" the increase of Japanese influence in Siam. Siam's imports of Japanese goods have more than doubled The Seattle Joint Tanker Strike in the last year. It is reported that Siam signed a secret treaty of some nature with Japan. Great Britain prefers that Siam remain red years it was considered a behind the McGovern action, had "independent," under the influence of the impefialists powers of the single species, until the Soviet called a special meeting of all West. If Japan gets too much of a foothold the British imperialists Union started to study plants to six maritime organizations involving policy in the Orient would have to be materially changed,

### ... Nazi Flag Displayed in Palestine

EL-AFULEH, Palestine., May 20.—Jewish settlers are protesting the display of the Hitler swastika and the inscription "Germany over All", in Arabic, by a train on the Hallifah-Damascus railway line. Hostile Arabs have recently been making great use of such provocative displays in part of a campaign by German Nazis to coment trouble between Arabs and Jews in Palestine.

## Would Deport 732

CAMDEN, N. J., May 20. W. Gentry Hodgson, relief director of Camden County, N. J., announced on May 10 that he had secured the aid of J. I. Huges, the director of the immigration station at Gloucester, Pa., in order to terrorize the foreign born unemployed of New Jersey.

refused admittance to any wh tried to enter the ranches.

The entire committee was stop southern Alameda County that ped on the highway by vigilantes wages were 15c an hour and liv- and deputy sheriffs. Two were

# LABOR DEFENSE

ONE MAN ALREADY GETS CONVICTED WHILE A. F. L. STALLS

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action. Thirty-six striking workers in Jackson now face charges of "rioting" as a result of the efforts of mine operators, organized vigilante mobs and well-to-do business men of Jackson to smash the strike and the union.

\* Mass Action Needed. The following points have been outlined by the I. L. D. as immediate bases for the campaign to free the workers: Protests must be sent at once to Superior Judge Anthon Caminetti, Jr., and District Attorney Martin, both at Jackson, Amador County, Calif., demanding the immediate and unconditioned release of all those

TERROR PROTEST OAKLAND, Calif., May 21.-A protest meeting against vigilante terror in Jackson

will be held here Tuesday

night, May 21, at Carpenters' Hall, beginning at 8 o'clock. First-hand reports of the Jackson outrages over a period of several months, will be made by workers who have been on the scene since the beginning of the mine strike. The meeting is held under the auspices of the League Against

War and Fascism and the

Youth League.

arrested for participating in or helping the strike of the miners; demanding reduction of bail for those still in jail and acceptance of out-of-county property for bail; demanding disqualification of all vigilantes as prospective jurors; and the supplying immediately of

the best legal aid available. The I. L. D. urges all workers to show their solidarity with the heroic miners who are in jail because they struck demanding the right to organize and better conditions of work and living. See that your organization and your friends and neighbors send protest resolutions at once.

Don't let the mine owners get away with this violation of our rights. Financial aid is needed to 410 San Francisco Califi

World Events and Western Workers

Participation of U.S. In Capitalist Blood Bath Is Inevitable

### Roosevelt Talks Peace With Eye On Future War Profits When Europe's mad dog, Herr European Crisis Brings Out Role Morgan and Company Hope to Plan In Peddling much as 400 per cent, but at the Munitions to Belligerents But All Government Heads Admit Eventual

Adolph Hitler, announced the open rearmament of Nazi-Germany and the scrapping of the Versailles Treaty, the world admitted Republics and the Communists manded a firm isolationist policy tion of treaty obligations, and a have always contended, namely, and with typical demagogy de- desire for peace." that war was not only an immediate issue, but was being directed against the Soviet Union. The United States, obviously is attempting to take the same

-to sell goods and wait till the probable victor emerges before taking sides.

& Protect Profits.

position she took in the last war

Although Germany broke its war treaty with the United States President Roosevelt has seen fit to take no action. The Wall Street. ring of international armament traders, headed by the Morgan,

Key Pitman, head of the Sen- licy, of "the good neighbor in lippine Island affairs.

wise urged a "hands off" policy.

& Cautious Neighbor

Although he publicly repudiated Pittman's statement, President Roosevelt took practically the same stand, described in the New Rockefeller, Mellon and DuPont York Post as one of "extreme groups, has done its share to help caution." An article in the New Hitler to rearm—at a handsome York Times entitled "Ours is still called "Wilsonian idealists," Hull fense." The House Miltary Comprofit to them of course and now a Good Neighbor Policy," illusthat unlimited orders are in the trates Roosevelt's policy of talk- tary clique, headed by Chief of powerful aviation bases at stra- manipulated so that what in re- the European war situation to offing no politician is going to ing freely but doing nothing. The Staff, McArthur, the gentleman tegic points in the United States, ality are profits amounting to speed up the already huge war interfere with their war profits. author quotes a statement by who turned the troops loose on Alaska and the Panama Canal hundreds of per cents, would be preparations which have been the carry on this work and all funds Of course, this is only one factor Roosevelt at the end of Decem- the bonus marchers and who now, zone. The Naval Committee is shown on the books as two or rule ever since Roosevelt became for the defense should be sent in the United States' policy of ber, 1933, when he declared that it is reported, is slated to take a preparing bills to permit the Navy three per cent. In the last war president and the "New Deal" to the International Labor De-"hands off," but it is a basic one. the United States will follow a po- commanding position in the Phi- to strengthen its Pacific bases. the meat packers were able to buzzard was substituted for the fense, 1005 Market Street, Room

clared: "Our Government is in no At the same time Roosevelt is McArthur clique is said to favor way involved . . . there is noth having the State Department study a strict "hands off" policy, more ing we can do, even to aid in legal measures to arm him with in line with the Roosevelt idea. the pacific settlement . . . " Sena- authority to take action in case The latter includes withdrawal tor Robinson, leader of the Demo- of war and "to protect our neutral from the Philippine Islands and crats could safely accuse Hitler position by circumscribing the ac- Guam and making Hawaii the of bringing about a crisis, but at tivities of Americans in War first line of Pacific defense, while the same time he suggested no zones." This report was never at the same time McArthur is de measures to be taken. Borah and made public and is not to be sub-Shipstead, liberal members of the mitted to Congress at this ses-Foreign Affairs Committee, like- sion. Nevertheless, such action as indicated by Roosevelt's statements would enable the United States to play the role of merchant again as in the World War.

\* Clique Divided.

According to a number of American newspapers, Roosevelt's "relief" bill recently passed by advisors are divided into two Congress already has been set camps, one dominated by the so- aside for so-called "national de- & Keep Profits. and Davis, the other by the mili- mittee is proposing to set up

note to the Hitler miltarists—the

manding a huge army and navy. Both camps are in agreement

however, that war is inevitable. & Plan For War.

The United States is speeding up war preparations at an ever increasing rate as an "answer" to European rearming. A large part of the much touted

ate Foreign Affairs Committee, de- international relations, observa- Davis is pictured as a peace- a series of "War Games" in the lover who would send a reproving | Pacific, in which at least two sailors have been killed. The Nye Committee investigat-

ing the munitions industry is rushing its fake proposal to take the profits out of war. Its bill proposes to guarantee profits while taxing the workers to pay for them. It would allow the President to take charge of any industry "upon payment of proper compensation," of course. Workers' & Hide Profiteering incomes of more than \$1,000 a year or even lower would be taxed and, needless to say, the government would take steps to crush ruthlessly any attempt of the be fixed by military decree and industry does not realize them. strikes would be declared trea- All this proposed legislation is

As in the last war, stock will be Even now the fleet is engaged in rake in profits amounting to as so-called "dove of peace."

same time, so manipulated the figures that these appeared as 0.1 and 3.3 per cent.

McSwain, head of the House Military Committee, likewise has a bill to take the profits out of war, which also provides for a military system of fixing wages and drafting soldiers. The bill, which takes in the proposals of Bernard Baruch, the Morgan henchman who is working for Roosevelt, is characterized by the New York World Telegram as one that "purports to, but would not, abolish war profits."

But even under the Nye pro posals the government would so regulate industry and war that high profits would be guaranteed workers to strike. Wages would out of government funds if private simply a mask to cover up Roosevelt's war program and the war profiteering of Wall Street.

It merely takes advantage of

### Writer Exposes Hearst Slander Of Soviet Union

VISITED SAME REGIONS WRITTEN ABOUT IN

SANGER ARTICLES

(Continued From Page 1) open-eyed they are, without guile, quickminded and athletic, eager for knowledge, for the attainment of which they will make any sacrifice a generation of youth of which any nation might well be proud. They have grown up since the revolution, and, as a result, they are unacquainted with the tricks and crimes of the capitalist system. With them every individual is a comrade to be served rather than a victim to be robbed. Many of our American customs and processes they could never understand for the reason that such customs and processes the people, there is too much. are completely foreign to their felt while there that a tightening thought.

where, they are not more aggres- Russian workers have never been sive in the Soviet Union than are disciplined and regimented to the the women. Not in a vulgar sense extent that American workers in are the women aggressive, but the mine and factory district have in a perfectly natural way. In been. Unlike American workers, every respect they are the equals the Russian workers have been of men. This status gives them permitted to do pretty much as a feeling of responsibility which they pleased, with the result that women of other countries do not considerable lack of discipline expossess. It is just as natural for lists, and a certain slovenliness prea Russian young woman to run a vails both in their factories and street car or operate a tractor as homes which one does not see in it is for an American young wor the better working class districts man to manipulate a typewriter in either Germany or America. or clerk in a store. They take I went to the Soviet Union not to airplane flying as easily as a only with an open mind but with light cruisers, ten submarines, and duck takes to water, and it is a a frankly sympathetic attitude. I forty-four destroyers. Certainly fact that some of the most skillful experts in the Soviet flying by what I saw. It is my con- machinery. Last year the Vinson service are young women. If necessity requires, and dur calls unquestionably, Russian young women will take the r. places beside the men in the l'ed army to do and die for the Workers Fatherland.

Some Critical Remarks.

"If I were asked what criticism I had to offer concerning the situation in the Soviet Union, I would say that instead of there being too little democracy among issue.)

## DAMAGE SUIT IS POSTPONED

FINNISH WORKERS ISSUE LEAFLET ASKING FOR SUPPORT IN TRIAL

BERKELEY, May 20. - A three weeks' posponement by the court has delayed the damage suit of the Berkeley Finnish Workers' Association against the city of Berkeley for wreckage of their hall by vigilantes last July.

The Finnish workers had issued mimeographed leaflet to the people of Berkeley asking them to attend the trial and themselves judge from the evidence showing the Berkeley police ignored re quests for protection against the vigilante hoodlums. The leaflet was very effective, and was well received by the workers and people of small means in this city.

up all along the line would con-Aggressive as men are every- siderably improve matters. The

came away amazed and uplifted an impressive list of death dealing sidered judgment that the Russian bill, intended to bring the United people are going to make good on what they are undertaking; and when they do make good, the rest of the world will have to follow | Already naval construction is suit or slip back into Chaos and Old Night.

same regions for which Hearst's | parations. paid liars reported—especially Messrs. Sanger and Lang.

(Article 2 will follow in next)

### **NAVAL ARMING** CONTINUES AT GROWING RATE

67 SHIPS BUILDING TO ADD TO THOSE NOW "IN WAR GAMES"

WASHINGTON, May 21. The attention of the world has been riveted on the Pacific Ocean, where the greatest fleet ever assembled in peace time, comprising some 200 vessels, hundreds of planes, and 50,000 men, is practicing "war games" behind a heavy veil of censorship.

The war games are the first that have taken place so far from the United States, at the very door of the Japanese sphere of influence. Coming at a time when Japan is rapidly arming with a view to expansion on the Asiatic mainland, they serve notice that the United States may step in and protect the investments of Standard Oil and other capitalist outfits, in the Far East. No more provocative gesture at the present time could be imagined.

\* The War Race.

But back on the Atlantic Coas preparations for war are now under way on a giant scale. 67 naval ships are under construction in various naval yards. Some will be completed this year, others in the next three years. They will form an immense addition to a navy still second to none.

Included among the ships under construction are two aircraft car riers, three heavy cruisers, seven States Navy to the full strength allowed under the former four power naval pact, was passed. ahead of this schedule, which at the same time was thought a \* Editor's Note: These are the great step in American war pre-

\* New Program.

Congress is today putting through cents to five dollars.

MURDERING BUSINESS OF WAR

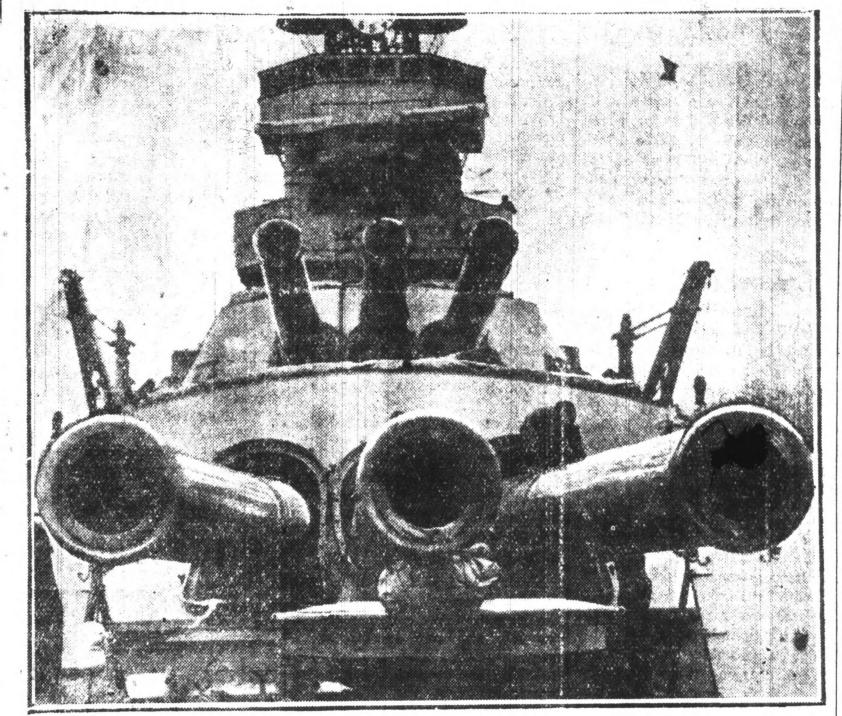


a program for the building of an additional 24 ships, and 555 planes, to be begun this year. The naval appropriations bill as approved by the Senate Committee. provides \$459,606,846 for the year ending July 1, 1935. This compares with some \$284,844,799 spent this year. In one year the increase in naval appropriations amounts to 174 million dollars. Nearly two million people could be provided with relief in the United States for a year on the one year's increase in naval expenditure, at the present rate of elief costs.

This naval race, far more important than any naval war maneuvers, is spreading to other countries. Germany has begun building up a powerful navy. Japan withdrew from the four-power naval pact in order to build up er navy. England has prepared plan to build 28 ships. France has started work on two: 35,000 ton battleships, to equal an

Dublin Transport Strike Is Settled

DUBLIN, Ireland, May 21.-The eleven weeks old Dublin transport strike was settled when the strikers accepted the terms offered by a vote of 1,600 to 600. The settlement, submitted by Minister of Commerce Scan Lemass, gives As though this were not enough, wage increases ranging from 60



UPPER-A part of the United States fleet in San Francisco Bay, ready for bigger and bloodier wars. LOWER-The United States is building 67 ships, and will start on 24 more, to add to this death dealing device pictured here.

resented by 80 to 100 delegates-

or groups-which can cancel the

voting desires of a like number

of delegates representing at least

4000 or 5000 bona fide members

Because of Sinclair's action in

requesting these "special" del-

egates be seated, Rawlins indicat-

ed that the credentials committee

felt it had no choice other than

to seat every delegate asking to

Indicating very clearly that

'further democratizing" of the

Epic movement was not the real

purpose for which the conven-

tion was called, as previously an-

nounced, Sinclair let the cat out

"I beg of you," said Sinclair,

'let us not get sidetracked by

afguing over small issues, but set-

tle down to the serious business of

adopting a constitution and ar-

ranging for the financing of our

ip with the dire necessity of gett-

ing additional funds for the Epic

The End Poverty League, which

until now has resisted all dem-

ocratic demands of the member-

ship, now wishes to take the mem-

bership into the fold sufficiently

to saddle them with a debt of

\$8000, which, when the new bills

are presented, will rise to \$17,000.

The directors still want the con-

trol, but don't want the financial

Until now there has been no

financial urge to hold a conven-

tion. Sinclair in trying to justify

failure to hold a convention soon

er, explained that his health and

the task of writing a book did not

permit him to consider engaging

in a convention sooner. All he

succeeded in doing was to implant

more firmly his contempt for the

of the Epic clubs in the state.

\* Seat All Delegates.

be seated.

of the bag.

movement."

liabilities.

& Demagogic Alibis.

\* Funs Needed.

movement at this time.

# Rank; and File Fight Officials at Epic State Convention

### Sinclair Opposes United Front Against War and Fascism; Resorts to "Red Scare" Demagogy

(Continued From Page 1) By Harold J. Ashe.

a standing vote on all questions, who "spent all his life in working the will of the convention was class organizations." He referred, again disregarded on this sissue apparently, to his career as a naas it had been on all others on tional committeeman of the Sowhich there was any doubt. Demands for a roll call were ignored. practice and his comfortable home

& Ben Legere Specks.

The delegates finally voted un- clair, we have a united front, animously for this resolution, de- said Sheridan Downey. claring that it is their understanding that this motion includes the Communists. With this tricky maneuver, Sinclair refused to put ers and they are all opposed to to vote the pro-labor party resolution signed by 67 delegates.

weapon that can halt the threat have represented hundreds o of war," declared Ben Legere, retail merchants and I know not member of the San Francisco one who looks upon Communism Democratic Council, in presenting without fear." the case for the united front.

inal syndicalism law and the op- ed that "the great American midpression of all civil liberties, we dle class will protect us in Deneed the active cooperation of the mocracy." Communists, Socialists, Technocrats, Utopians and all other ly Fascist statement in deliberate groups.

### & Communists Defended.

Pointing out that the Demoratic suffering state." Council in San Francisco had formed a united front with Cor munists, Legere declared that "the only reason it appeared to be Communist maneuver was because the Communists were most active in fighting for it."

After Sinclair, Sheridan Downey, the convention chairmanwhose appointment by Sinclair was never ratified by the dele gates and Attorney John Pack ard, also a former socialist, had attacked the united front, Legere charged in rebuttal that their at tacks were "purely emotional."

### & Must Have United Front.

Lou Rose, another San Fran cisco delegate declared that "if being for the united front makes me a Communist, then I'm a Communist. As a matter of fact, the capitalists have a united front and we must organize a united front of all anti-capitalists or we'll all have a united front in

some concentration camp." "Our united front with Commun ists and other groups in Palo Alto has been successful in fighting criminal syndicalism, fascism, of Palo Alto.

Speaking first against the united front, John Packard, who appeared for the first time at the convention, described himself as one

in Pasadena. "In the strength back of Sin-

cialist Party, his lucrative law

### Retail Merchants.

"I have represented many farm the revolutionary aims of the Communists," said Downey, the "The general strike is the only next opposition speaker, and

Disclosing his definite social "To fight war, fascism, the crim- fascist tendencies, Downey declar-Downey also made the distinct

ly over-riding the protests of convention delegates, that "we mus go beyond Democracy to save a

consistent demagogy demonstrat ed throughout the convention by Sinclair and his hand-picked hench men, the "leader" appealed to "you mothers in the audience."

### \* Sentimental Demogogy.

"A mother nourishing a child at her breast cannot cut its throat This united front is publicly avow ed to the purpose of cutting the throat of our movement."

Sinclair's analysis of the crisis faced by the working class was expressed in the profound observation, "that we must choose between Democracy and the destruction of Democracy."

With utter contempt for Democratic procedure in a convention in which the delegates failed to elect a single committee, to elect a chairman or even to vote on resolutions. Sinclair then launched into his radio address after stalling for time with honey ed phrases in praise of Democ racy.

LOS ANGELES. May 18.—Deand war," Dr. Paul Buttenweiser mocracy took a terrible beating committees, voiced the fascist going to find a way to throw the of delegates had been seated with them what to do. yesterday and today at the first argument that "we must proceed Communists out. They will not out the proper credentials in order. The final order of the second

the Labor Temple for the ostens- fering state." ible purpose of "further democratizing" the Epic movement.

Leading the attack on the rank and file were Sheridan Downey, candidate for lieutenant governor last fall of the Epic ticket, Richard S. Otto, retiring president of the End Poverty League, J.-P. Rawlings, an End Poverty League director, and the numerous other officials of the movement. All else failing, Upton Sinclair. father of the Epic movement, was ready to jump up whenever democracy showed signs of rising, and hammer it down again.

### \* High Handed Railroading.

Sinclair, in the concluding renarks of his initial convention speech, placed Downey in nomination for chairman of the convention. Before any other nominations could be made, a figure on the platform seconded the nomination, another moved nominations be closed and Otto, temporary chairman, declared Downey elected.

A motion to make the temporary credentials committee the permaient credentials committee brought storm of protest from the delegates. The temporary credentials committee, donsisting of assembly district secretaries was considered undemocratic.

### \* Credentials Committee.

At this point, Sinclair again 13, Communist Party, addressed a Reaching the high point of the took the platform, and insisted letter to the convention, making that only the assembly district a strong plea for a united front secretaries "know the viewpoint When it became apparent that th of the delegates." So strong was officials had no intention of ever the protest that finally, to side- reading this communication to track the demand, a motion was the convention, mimeographed made and carried over strong pro- copies of the Appeal were show test, that Sinclair appoint a cred- ered down on the delegates from entials committee. This he did the galleries. without a blush. Protests that this was undemocratic left Sinclair and | & Sinclair Red Baits. his lieutenants unmoved.

Then another motion to "expedite matters" was made that Sinclair appoint all other committees: resolutions, policy, etc. This also Sinclair did.

### \* Railroading Machine.

Previously, in his opening address Sinclair has emphasized that "this movement is yours-vou must run it," and indicated he had larger national affairs to worry over. Nevertheless, he never hesitated to take the platform at any time the 'machine' was threatening to break down under the hammering of the militants for democratic procedure.

Downey, trying to quell the opposition to Sinclair appointing

Epic state convention, called at beyond democracy to help a suf-

Again Sinclair argued against electing committees that "you democratically, because they have not been seated vet in this convention as delegates." Yet, he & Militant Delegates. assumed that they could function, though not scated, if appointed.

### Red Scare Raised.

Sinclair's headquarters, fearing that insurgents might gain control, raised the red scare in the capitalist press the day before the convention, by having an unidentified spokesman say that a plot the impression that these improp was on foot to make a "putsch" lunists.

BULLETIN "We had to railroad things through this convention," Saul Klien, legal counsel for the EPIC League, said today when the convention had adjourned, "almost all the delegates were psycopathic."

Every time a sincere Epic too the floor against the Sinclair-Ot to-Downey machine, he knew he would be labeled a "Communist. Prior to the convention, District

Sinclair instantly seized upon this action as an excuse to launch a red-baiting speech. He charged shouted. that Communists were present for the purpose of breaking up the organizations.

"They are here for the purpose of making trouble for publicity alone," said Sinclair, "I have seen Communists voting in this conven tion and I know that what I say is true because I know them per sonally.'

Sinclair then pointed to on delegate and, calling him by name, asked if he was a Communist. Receiving a negative answer, Sinclair weakly said: "Oh, I had credentials committee, explained they cannot conduct their affairs been advised you were,"

### Officials Pack Floor in Order to Swing Vote; Motions Railroaded Through Despite Loud Protest

can't choose these committees be allowed to take part in this that "the meeting might be thoroughly democratic.' convention. Which is another way of saying

Hardly had the Saturday ses sion opened, however, than th charge was hurled that 85 dele gates had been seated without proper credentials. It was th militants that brought up thi charge and put Sinclair, Otto & Co. on the spot.

Right-wingers, laboring under erly seated delegates were th o capture the convention. This Communists that Sinclair had reputsch" he credited to the Com- ferred to, clamered for their unseating. Forty or 50 delegates were on their feet at a time clamering to be heard.

### \* Overrides Floor.

With delegates still on their feet demanding to be heard! Downey called for a vote on accepting the report of the credentials committee and arbitrarily refused to hear further criticisms.

Th vote, taken orally, was so preponderantly opposed to acceptng the report that, when Downey declared the report accepted, there were roars of outraged indignation from the floor and shouts of laughter from the press table.

Otto was dispatched with a must' to find Sinclair who was not in the building at the time When Sinclair arrived. Downey was flanked by a corps of ad visors and legal lights of the Epic League who were coaching him at every step. Scores of del egates were shouting, "railroading," "steam-rolling," and other condemnatory phrases.

"You birds ought to be driving locomotives," one delegate

Sinclair arrived on the stage, escorted by Otto, and struck a dramatic pose. Finally, with much gavel hammering, the crowd was silenced and Sinclair began his speech. Again he resorted to his personal appeal for harmony to stem the hebellious tide.

The result this time was that the motion was reversed and the credentials committee is still out at this writing. J. F. Rawlins, chairman of the rank and file and his belief that

that at the request of certain democratically, but must have Sinclair stated that "we are executive officers a large number him present, personally, to tell

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oma has taken steps to call upor the workers of British Columbia to join the general walk-out.

Lumber Strike

Meanwhile, at Everett and Aber deen, Wash., Sawmill and Timber Workers Union delegates, have started movement toward the formation of a Joint Lumber Strike Committee, to be chosen by that the executive officers are rep | the rank and file.

### not representing any clubs & Flying Squads.

Branches of the lumber industry, the pipe and barrel plants veneer works and pulp mills either are coming out on strike or laying plans to strike for their own demands, along with those of the other striking workers.

At Port Angeles, Wash., a flying squad from the Port Angeles and Carlsborg Unemployed Councils hit the McCormack mill at Port Ludlow and sold strike extras issued by the Voice of Action, militant Seattle labor paper. More than 400 unorganized men at the McCormack are preparing to strike, despite attempts of of ficials to keep them on the job.

day's session was the reading and adoption point by point of the constitution. In four hour's time, only two pages of the seven page proposed constitution was adopted. Sinclair then intervened and pleaded with the delegation to adopt the balance of the constitution without further consideration, "else we will be here all'

#### The importance of pushing night." through a constitution is wrapped & Ready-made Constitution.

One delegate had made a motion that the constitution be taken back to the local clubs for final ratification. "This," said Sinclair, "Is the worst thing that has vet been suggested here." Almost hysterically, he shouted, "we must have a constitution before we leave this convention."

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By Terry Casey.

TODAY'S DEFINITION: GAVEL-A wooden mallet banged on a chairman's table or ros trum whenever worker's delegates try to speak in legislatures or assembly committees.

war?"

you defend yourself." about all the time?"

Father: "That's when they grab back in '19. your pants and you yell "Heil Right this way, folks. Have ..... "DON QUIXOTE" Hitler!" instead of resisting." -Laughter in Hell

At a recent reception in the Propaganda Ministry in Berlin Dr. Goebbels tried to make a good impression on the foreign reporters. He buzzed around from one to another, grinning and shaking everyone's hand. To one American correspondent he said "What a pity that your great President Roosevelt hasn't organized an American Storm Troop along the lines of ours. If there America you would soon be rid of your gangsters."

"You are absolutely right, your excellency," the American politely answered. "All of them would have become troop leaders long

-Laughter in Hell

Chiang Wai Shek, the butcher

"Feel free to criticize (me)," says Roosevelt.

Syndicalism,

A new sanctuary for hawks and other birds of prey has just been established near Pittsburgh, Pa It is not certain whether or not the Blue Buzzard will make application for a berth.

it relatively new as jokes go.)

"Boys," he shouted, "this game ain't a straight one! Slippery Sam ain't playing the hand I dealt

ingly pulled out his six-gun.

### New West Coast Organizer for Anti-War League

SAN FRANCISCO, May 13.— Mr. Bert Leech, Union Theological Seminary Student, who has rat par excellence. At one time had experience on the New York president of the San Francisco Tity Committee of the American ILA. Kicked out by the rank and League against War and Fascism file-repudiated by all honest uniis coming to San Francisco short one men. Sabotaged the strike ly as a permanent West Coast with every possible weapon. Tried organizer for that organization. to start a fake union which would Angeles Junior College, spent fered by the shipowners. When the Teamster's union, could see three years as a school teacher this failed, he went into the busi- no reason for sympathy action cheese; 1/2 pound of noodles, spaed with the Church of all Nations owners. His latest exploit was the thought other wise and the Teams cups of white sauce. Cook noodin New York as an assistant pas opening of a "fink" (scab) hiring ters were the first to spread the les until tender. Grease baking tor. He is pursuing his present hall to recruit rats like himself strike to the shore unions. Casey dish, and add layer of noodles. studies to prepare himself for to operate the tankers. united front work in the movement against war and fascism. The American League Against War and Hascism announces it will soon open new headquarters at 68 Haight Street, San Francisco, which is also the headquarters of the Epic Democratic Council.

### England Forbids Aviation Exports port of other reactionary labor of on time.

LONDON May 17.-Exportation of airplanes and parts has been prohibited without the permission of the Air Ministry. At the same time all aviation factories in Great Biitain have been requested to accelerate production for the new air program. Premier McDonald stated that the new program would be announced around May 22.

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"LES MISERABLES"

55" cents . . . "Les Miserables!" Hyde" in which he does well. German boy: "What is the class | Latest pretentious swindle from | We shan't tell you anything . His father: "When they try to ladies and gentlemen. A veritable pick up any of the "popular" nosteal your last pair of pants and encyclopaedia of Hokum! Yes vels of a generation ago, and add sir, an encyclopedia of Hokum a slight spice of social content, Boy: "But what is this 'national | Nothing like it since the days of you have it. This movie isn't cooperation that Hitler talks "Over the Hill." Remember that worth spending five cents to see. one? Boy, how it made 'em weep

your handkerchiefs ready. One This film, an English producout of every three cries. You've tion, hasn't the slightest relation never seen anything like it, folks to Cervantes' great ironic classic. not since the simple days of the Chaliaplin displays the ragged remflapdoodle! Step right up! Seeing for entertainment. Chaliapin's slaves of old. Makes you forget tion picture. -brings you back to your childhood, before you knew anything. . . . . . In other words, "Les Miserables" is the dullest film this long-suffering victim of Hollywood has felt obliged to report were Storm Troopers at work in on-for years. At no moment of trash will be a hit. Not a it is not possible to prevent Ame- played on over 75 news stands in

general of the Kuo Min Tang. Just how well the film follows was strolling through a cemetery the novel we don't know. But when he came upon a monument. no doubt all the sentimental em-He looked at the insciption: "Our | broidery is right out of old Victor beloved father, -, having been Hugo. That man was really born called to a better realm, there to for the movies. Even the galley dwell in the love and wisdom of stuff, interesting for its undoubted his ancestors --- "Damn," accuracy in visual detail, seems muttered Chiang into his mustache. unreal in the picture. . . . Laugh-"Another Communist. Always ton, at any given instance holds slandering my Kuo Min Tang attention as an expert actor; but so incredible is any moment in this film when considered in con- at the Los Angeles Musart, and only carrying the New Masses Western Worker the medium the old, time-worn, standardized nection with any other moment, "Waiting for Lefty" at the Holly- and you are interested in other surprisingly enough, shows that battle with "Peace on Eearth".

The can take direction and may Step right this way, ladies and even learn something about actgentlemen! The super-colossal ing some day. In one bit at the fraud of the age! Don't crowd . . | end he is excellent—one of those plenty of seats in the gallery for grotesqueries as in "Jekyll and

Hollywood! It has everything, about the story, except that if you

silent movies for simple souls. nants of his abilities with pathetic Yes sir! Nine reels of soft-focus insistence. Way down on the list is believing! All about the galley first-and undoubtedly only-mo-

> FULTON THEATRE OAKLAND

At the time the Western Work er accepted their aid for "Three does anything seem even faintly Songs," it was not known that valid. And as for slush and gush this was a scab house. It is parand mush—the talking screen has ticularly disgraceful that a Soviet never seen anything as bad. With- film should be showing at a nonout a doubt, this gigantic lump union theatre; but unfortunately, single of the tricks of hoke has rican movie exhibitors from showbeen overlooked, and in this in- ing Soviet, or any other, films unt to see that the New Masses and stance they are all badly over- der conditions of their own choos- other left-wing publications are

THEATRE NOTES

Responsible members of work ers' theatre groups are urgently formed concerning their activities. way points, aftention!

### Answers TO QUESTIONS ON PAGE 2

The latest stratosphere flight is shore leader, was the chairman of labor bureaucracy, he was again being undertaken, not with gas of the rank and file strike combut with the new money in the mittee which conducted the waterfront strike, and chairman of the Joint Strike Committee which The "peace" conferences and spread the strike and gave the notes, and "explorations," and impetus to calling the General British and Nazi rejections call Strike. At present he is Presito mind a joke which was popular dent of the San Francisco local in the days of '49. (Which makes of the ILA (International Longshoremen's Association). He is A rough looking gang was play- the recognized rank and file leading poker in a saloon. The game er on the Pacific Coast, defeated was fast, the stakes were high for the Presidency of the District Suddenly the dealer flung his ILA only by the combined efforts cards on the table and threaten of the reactionaries and the treach-

> ery of the labor fakers. 2. Harry Jackson, was secretary of the MWIU (Marine Workers Industrial Union), a TUUL affiliate. The MWIU played a leading role in the waterfront strike in that it was the first organization to bring the seamen off the ships in sympathy action with the longshoremen. This was the first step in spreading the strike and involving all maritime

3. H. Holman-labor faker and Mr. Leech, a graduate of Los accept the terms of settlement of-

4. William Lewis is past and to see of what use he could be present district president of the I. L. A. During the strike he secretary of the Industrial Assodistinguished himself by inactivity ciation. Need any more be said? and attempts to sell out the work. General Strike. See the July and ers. The rank and file strike com- September issues of the Communconducted the strike to a success, "The Great San Francisco Genful conclusion. This, however, did eral Strike.

LOS ANGELES

1. Harry Bridges, militant long- ficials, using the standard tricks elected District President.

> 5. Joseph P. Ryan is international president of the I. L. A. He to come out here and "settle" the to sign the famous "June 16th Agreement," which sold out the ongshoremen's demands. Ryan's booed down, and invited to leave employment in Germany.

6. Paul Scharrenberg, secretary of the California State Federation of Labor, and a member of the executive committee of the ISU (International Seamen's Union) s the same gentleman as the one of "We want another war" fame. He can be credited with steady and persistent work during the course of the strike-for the benefit of the employers.

7. Andrew Furuseth, another ISU leader, of whom we will hear nore later.

8. "Dirty" Deal, president of the Ferryboatmen's Union. He refused to call out his union in the general strike. Has persistently re fused to build the union, and has instead worked towards undermining the Bargemen's Local of the ILA. Was refused a seat at the Marine Federation meeting.

9. Michael Casey, president of went along with the General Strike Place layer of tuna over noodles

10. Mr. Boynton was and is mittee worked over his head and ist, 1934. Study Dunne's pamphlet six and may be combined with

not end the betrayals of Lewis | The first act of this working and his clique. Mustering the sup- class drama begins next week. Be

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### Theater Using Scab Operator Being Picketed

OAKLAND, May 20 .- Pickets are patrolling the front of the Fulton Theater here, where the Soviet film "Three Songs About Lenin" is showing. The theater uses a non-union operator in the booth.

Bartlett, lessee of this struggling showhouse booked 'Three Songs" following its recent successful exhibition at the Campus Theater in Berke-

Both Communist Party and labor groups have refused to support this scab show. The scanty attendance on opening day indicated that it is not possible to get audiences to attend scab movie house in Oakland when a Soviet film is playing.

This Theater should be boycotted on every film until union men are put in the booth. Ed. Note: When the Western Worker accepted advertising for this theater it was not known that it was a scab house. No further scab advertising from this source will get into our columns.

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#### German Unemployed \* Critical Attitude. Increase 1,200,000

BERLIN, May 17.—The Reich Institue for Statistics issued a redustries, stating that between Nov. strike. His idea of settling it was 1, 1934, and March 30, 1935, the number of unemployed in Germany increased by 1,200,000. This confidential report gives the lie agreement was voted down, Ryan to Hitler's claims of increasing paper and you must see to it that

### For The **Working Woman**

By Lou.

BAKED ONION WITH CHEESE

Six medium ontons, parboiled for five minutes; 1 tbsp. sugar; 2 cups thin cream sauce, (flour, oil) and milk.) 1/4 cup grated cheese. (ten cent package of Parmesan cheese); ½cup stale bread crumbs. Place onions in baking dish: sprinkle with sugar and cover cheese and bread crumbs. Sprinkle | the pool halls, the libraries, every- | sale at 50 cents. over onions and bake forty min- where. Find out what is in their utes. Scrve.

TUNA AND NOODLES

One large can tuna; grated then pour over portion of white sauce, sprinkling grated cheese on top. Add another layer of noodles, followed by tuna, white sauce and cheese, repeating until baking dish is filled. This serves sliced carrots, and plain lettuce salad with french dressing.

RHUBARB TAPIOCA 1 cup of sugar 1/2 s;tp. salt; 3/4 cup quick cooking tapioca; 11/2 cup hot water, 3 cups rhubarb cut in half inch pieces. Combine sugar, salt and tapioca. Add hot water slowly, and the rhubarb. Pour into baking dish and cover closely. Bake in a moderate oven of 350 deg. F. for 21/2 hours. Serves 6.

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# The Way You Do It Now Is Wrong

If You Don't Know What Their Immediate Concerns Are and What They Are Thinking, Then Find Out!

granted. It comes out regularly, pick it up. they read it, go through the motions of routine, formal circulation drives, ballyhoo it occasionally at meetings, and let it go at

But they do not consciously involve the Western Worker in every organizational activity. Every struggle, large or small, should leave behind it a mass of inform the Western Worker of your activities and the events in your locality and then feel you have attended to the matter.

\* The Workers Involved.

section, you must prepare and Perhaps you will not agree with send material to the Western the opinions the people in your Worker with the idea that you neighborhood are airing. Or perbe the only paper honestly re- with them. Above all, never take It shows how employers may work, the editors, Jay Harrison porting their struggle from their an antagonistic or ruthless unsym- organize but workers may not, and Bernice Pittala, have enlarged standpoint. Consequently, the ut- pathetic attitude.. It is your busi- It shows the plight of small farm- their staff to include Harold &

rect and careful reporting. just get all the facts straight and from this standpoint. bear in mind that your purpose in sending the news is two-fold: llying mass support.

mimeograph.

The contents of the paper is by no means perfect. We hope however, that it is improving daily. It will be everything that port available only to members of it should be when you take a was delegated by William Green the Federation of German Iu- proper critical interest and set to work to improve it.

When anything is done wrongly or poorly, write in or come in and bawl the editorial staff out in no uncertain terms. It's your it serves the needs of your strug-

### \* Two Things At Once.

Circulating the Western Worker is not a separate activity apart from organizational work. In fact, it is one of the best means of carrying out this work.

thing to tie your organizational castle, pianist.

### \* Ring the Doorbell.

paper. Or you know that you ried.

Among Party members and can leave the paper in public sympathizers there is a tendency places with the article prominently to take the Western Worker for displayed and the workers will

you are trying to reach.

permanent readers. Don't merely MUST KNOW WHAT THE to prevent the people from seeing tables of contents such important MASSES ARE THNKING. You or changing these conditions. must know what they are talking do not concern yourself vitally with this study you are most apt to fail in your efforts.

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through which you speak to the methods you have been applying that Laughton's fine work is com- wood Playhouse. San Francisco's left-wing publications ask the deal- workers involved. (2) You are automatically. They have failed And when you do, it's Criminal pletely was ted. Fredric March, Theatre Union will shortly join er for them and also send the going to use it as a medium of ral- miserably, because we do not have the mass circulation we should Thus it is plain that when have. It is time you studied your properly used, the Western Work- problems of both circulation and er becomes as intimate a part organization carefully and critigeneral public. Thanks. Friends of your activity as your own cally. It is time you experimented with new methods and kept on experimenting until you obtained results.

Don't keep looking behind you wrong in assuming th to see what way it was done be- ness of the fake story about think ought to be done. And then shred of evidence was ever brought very good. get busy. If you don't, you might forward to sustain this fact. Since The Human Betterment Formhave fascism come rolling down sterilization does not unsex the dation is evidently an organizaon top of you like a landslide.

### New Music Society Will Give Program

cluding composition by the lead- nan, member of the Grand Jury fascism, if its literature means ing Soviet composers, will be pre- which investigated the steriliza- anything. For example, the Founsented by the New Music Society tion affair, in its March 18 issue dation would like that "This (steof California at Sorosis Hall, 536 as follows: Sutter st., on Wednesday, May Let us assume that your sec- 29, at 8:15 p. m. Among the per- food was held up for more than as poor farms (!!!), prisons, tion has reached a period in which formers will be the Stanislaus two weeks because the woman and reformatories, who are there is no immediate tsruggle in- Bem Trio,, a choral group led by would not consent to the opera- found to be insane . . . or who

work up with. Look around and Among the well known Soviet that if these women did not subsee what circumstance prevails composers whose works will be mit to sterilization, food and fuel liefs are declared "hereditary dethat would be the basis for circu- presented are Davidenko, famous lating the paper. Careful study song writer, Mosolov, Shostakowill reveal to you that people in vich, whose recent opera has been the neighborhood are discussing presented in New York, Veprik a particular topic. Listen around and Miaskowsky. Tickets, obtainwith white sauce. Mix grated the markets, the theatre lobbies, able at Sherman and Clay, are for said that Mrs. McCord said that I j tured by sterilization

### 88th Victim Dies

Havings learned this, you know BOULDER CITY, Nev., May witnesses in the Grand Jury in ers' publication. This article mainthat if the Western Worker car- 20.—Boulder Dam claimed its vestigation, if there "was not a tains that sterilization is necesin Bulgaria, and has been connect- ness of scab herding for the ship with the longshoremen. The men ghetti, or maccaroni. Make two ries an article on that particular 88th victim when D. C. "Dragline" shred of evidence brought for sarily a fascist weapon because subject, all you have to do is Dixon was caught between two ring a doorbell in the neighbor- swinging concrete buckets and relief officials work so desperatehood, talk to the person about crushed to death. Dixon, former- ly to bury the whole affair with this article and they want the ly of Denver, was recently mar- whitewash and a "shush-shush

threat or punshment

children of middle class families

By Lou McLean.

CAPITALISM AND ITS CUL-thy growth. TURE. By Jerome Davis, Farrar and Rinehart; \$3.

#### Reviewed by Sidney Burke

It is hard for anyone to read this book and keep his self-res-Thus, while at first it might ap pect or self-control. Callous and NEW LEFT WING MAGAZINE pear you are only looking for indifferent, the bourgeoisie remains opportunities to circulate the pa- in face of all the stinging evi- which has been appearing in Phiper, the real effect is that you dence collected here of the waste, ladelphia for the past several make innumerable contacts and exploitation and corruption of the years, undergoes complete transget much closer to the masses people and of natural resources. formation with the current (May-Both in circulation and organi- fore the readers' eyes the method policy of vital contemporary literzation there is one key factor that of operation of the entire mecha- ature, of a nationwide social sigcannot be overlooked. YOU nism called "culture" in its attempt nificance, "Kosmos" carries on its

about and concerned with. If you Yale University and trained in thor of numerous well-known plays When a struggle occurs in your & Whether You Like It Or Not. on banking, foreign investments, from his new novel, "Judgement intend to circulate the paper haps you will not think the thing juggle its wealth for their own donia"; Samuel Levinson, who among the workers involved. Think that concerns them most at the benefit, lie about their actions in gets at the roots tof the musicicarefully and study exactly what moment is of great importance the press, the church, over the an's problems in "Music and Rule you want to say to these work- You must not in that case feel radio and in their speeches and ing Class"; and many more. ers. The Western Worker will isolated from them or discouraged the text books used by our schools. To carry on this nation-wide

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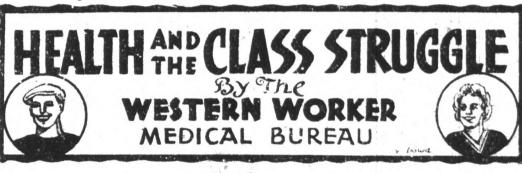
This is a book that gives facts to answer any argument. Reading it you realize that there is no ground whatever, spiritual or cul-

tural on which Capitalism can be defended.

"Kosmos," a literary magazine And more, the book lays out be June) issue. Instituting a new name as Emjo Basshe, Guggen-Jerome Davis is a professor at heim Fellowship winner, and auresearch. He has collected hund- ("Doomsday Circus," "Adam Solireds of facts from official govern taire," and so on); James T. Farment investigations and hearings rell, who contributes an excerpt security manipulation, monopolies Day"; Stoyan Christowe, author -facts which show how the in of "Heroes and Assassins," who dustrial owners of the country writes on "Conspiracy in Mace-

> Salemson, Hollywood newspapertor; and Merlin N. Hanson as Southern editor.

The West Coast address of volved, we will write the story. cern, however far afield it may ing. 88 per cent are undernourish- "Kosmos" is Box 1621, Holly-



"The Human Betterment Foundation," with executive offices in Pasadena, Calif. disagrees with our article in the April 29 issue of the Western Worker which dealt with the subject of sterilization. We quote it in part:

May 1935. Dear Sir: . . . . We believe you individual it is not a punishment tion to further the cause of eu-

> Cordially yours, E. S. Goseny, President.

but a protection . . . etc. . . .

ANS .: The Oakland Tribune, & Tends To Fascism Of Soviet Music which reserves its lying for slan-

that Mrs. McCord gave orders fects. would cease."

quotes Mrs. Herera of Pittsburgh sible our martyrs in San Quentin as follows:

would have to be operated on (for sterilization-ed.) or we would not receive any more county aid.' We leave it to the reader, not ward" why did the county and campaign?

### & Under Fascism.

Mr. Gosney evidently missed against workers. the point of our article on sterilization when he says the operal is the theory that inherited detion is not a punishment. To re- fects can be completely wiped peat, under the capitalist system out by good living conditions. and especially in fascist countries, sterilization is often used as a

In California it is used to force unemployed off relief; in Germany it is used against revoludionary workers with no heredictary diseases. However, properly fore. Look ahead of you; study lization of persons on real administered by a workers' gov the problem and see what you Contra Costa County. Not, a ernment, such a law would be

> genic (racial improvement) sterilization. Its sponsors seem wellmeaning but confused.

Such an organization could help der of the workers, and has never the revolutionary movement, or it SAN FRANCISCO, Mey 20.- been known to lie in favor of the could become fascistic. At the A program of Soviet music, in- unemployed, quoted Mrs. Bucha- present time its trend is toward, rilization) law should also apply "There is one instance where to inmates of such institutions volved and apparently no definite Gerald Strang, and Arthur Hard- tion. It is commonly reported have other serious hereditary de-

> Under such a law, radical befects" in Germany. If California The same issue of the Tribune had this law it is more than pos-Mooney, McNamara and the C. S. "She (the public health nurse) prisoners, could be further tor-

Before leaving the subject we would like to take issue with an article in the May number of considering statements by other "Health and Hygiene", a workit is used as such under the capitalist system. This is similar to the anarchistic idea that prisoners and other forms of violence of one class against another are necessarily fascistic because the capitalists use them as weapons The basis for this viewpoint

There are extremely few scien-

tific facts to back up such a the

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### FAUL BUNYAN WAKES UP

Paul Bunyan is the great legendary hero of the lumber camps. His strength and ability are heralded in a hundred tales. From the ax of Paul Bunyan came all the lumber that raised the cities of America and all the timbers that went into the ships, and every palace in which the wealthy lounge was raised by the muscles of this giant. For Paul Bunyan symbolizes the lumber workers.

He toiled and built America. But he was not clever at scheming and would never stoop to cheat. So the cities that he built and the wealth that he hewed out of the forests went to a sharp little man in a derby hat. This nasty little schemer never swung an axe or got a splinter in his finger and the pores of his skin never gave forth sweat.

But he is sweating now, because Paul Bunyan has waked up. More than 30,000 lumber workers have walked out of the mills and camps, demanding a fair share in the wealth they cre-

Paul Bunyan, founder of palaces, has always slept in shacks. He has eaten the slop of the earth off dirty tin plates and risked his life and limb daily in one of the world's most perilous industries. The little man in the derby hat has told him it must be this way and has pinched out pennies into the palm of the laboring giant. Now the giant wants to know why.

Why should this arrogant little runt in a derby hat own the

The little runt is terrified and is trying to frighten or trick Paul Bunyan back into his chains. He is waving his arms and crying:

"The lumber workers of Fort Bragg will be wise to keep this Community rid of agitators, whose interests are not in this section. These agitators do not belong here; they come here with but one purpose—to start discontentment and unrest that will eventually result in a strike."

Our employees are getting "as much or more money as those in any other lumber region in the country and at wages higher than many other industries. The working conditions are good, if not better, than any other similar occupation."

"A strike is a loosing proposition no matter who wins." "To go on strike at this time in the lumber industry of Humboldt would be little short of criminal, regardless of the merits of the controversy."

"True it is that to some of the individual workers the monthly wage is not large, but if it is any sort of wage it is just that amount in excess of that received by ten or twelve million other people who have no job at any wage."

(Quotations from the Fort Bragg Advocate, Wed., May 15, 1935.) The mighty Paul Bunyan scratches his head and looks down on the bellowing little runt. The language of parasites trying to argue rebellious slaves back into bondage has been one of the high arts of hypocrisy ever since the ancient Greek snobs told

their slaves that it was "the way the Gods would have it." Paul Bunyan knows that he has struck because the runt in the derby hat is cheating him. Not because of agitators.

He does not consider the fact that all lumber workers are underpaid, or the fact that all industries have bad conditions, as any reason why he should put up with it.

He wants to know why this cocky little runt should own the whole works when all he does is sit on his flat and sign papers. He wants to know why he should go without when there is

more than plenty for everyone. AND HE'S GOING TO FIND OUT.

### THE WAGNER SELL OUT BILL

The crass nerve of the whole Washington administration trying to pass off a dirty cheat like the Wagner Labor Disputes Bill on American Labor has hardly an equal in history. Even ancient monarchs would not have had the nerve to fling such poppycock in the face of their underlings.

They are trying to put over the idea that the bill is favorable to the workers and a great imposition foisted on employers. It is allegedly the answer to the great wave of strike struggles that has turned the industrial field into a battle field.

They carefully avoid the plain word "strikes" and speak of "collective bargaining." If "collective bargaining" means that the workers are entitled to ask their employers for decent wages and conditions, it means nothing. If it means the workers are entitled to mass under their own leadership, strike and force employers to grant such demands, then it would be getting down to business.

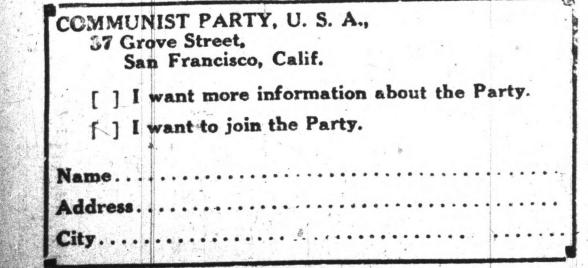
In this case, what has the Wagner Bill got to say about hiring scabs? For this is the very crux of the situation and is carefully excluded from the document. If employers are permitted to surround their plants with private armies and operate with such scab labor, then what is the value of "collective bargaining?"

The Wagner Bill is aimed at automatically selling out strikes before they are even called. It establishes a "supreme court" of labor which can arbitrarily hand down decisions. It means that before workers ever walk out on strike, their demands are in the hands of the "supreme court" and they are told to remain on their jobs and await a decision. If they strike anyhow, they are against the law and will be attacked by state troopers and the National Guard.

Thus the Wagner Bill is a device for outlawing strikes and no more. As for a "supreme courk" of labor, the workers have always had government agencies to appeal to for redress of their grievances. These agencies have always been controlled by the employers. The fact that they have yielded no satisfaction is evi-

denced in the great strike wave. But the board established by the Wagner Bill is an agency with special teeth. It has the power to dictate to the workers

and bayonet them into line. As for dictating to employers, any capitalist newspaper or any capitalist statesman (Roosevelt himself, for example) will explain to you that this would constitute an interference with the fundamental principles of American freedom.





A Short Story

### "Justice" Does Her Stuff By Geo. K. Stafford

An officer seized me and velled fictitious name I had given her. I nto my face. I velled back at Frase that name I gave you," him. We both yelled. He jerked I said. "I got myself into this. the by the arm and spun me I'll take care of myself."

ant being sent to the horror of in the way." Siberia by the old Tzar's Cossacks But," she pleaded. three men. The Irish boy grinned | trouble for me. at me. They had already taken the first speaker away.

an American citizen, the son of they answered his questions. revolutionary ancestors on both sides of my family, their great, ex-pug motioned to me sternly great grandson a prisoner in a San Francesco police patrol because I listened to a speech.

The girl was right. The financial barons ruled my country more thoroughly than any foreign despot ever ruled. I could name the despoilers of my country and their organizations and their satellites. I had been a newspaperman long enough to know who was

The prisoners in the moving police patrol were laughing and talking. The girl began writing down their names. They knew each other. They worked together. They were workers. They belonged to the working class.

Well, I was a worker, regard- ed gate of steel. less of my white, spiled collar. Hadn't I slaved and struggled all a great star on his coat, opened we'll put it up for you. my life to achieve a position of security? Hadn't I built a newspaper plant, two homes and helped to bring raw land under irrigation in Southern California? And, it was all robbed from me. every dime, even my faith in myself had been taken from me by those capitalistic bosses the

girl spoke of. bumped over the streets.

I stared at her and shook my name or address," she whispered against a steel wall.

I nodded.

asked in a pleading voice. "The had done nothing wrong, unless to learn about this Communist got another earful from my re-II.D will defend you.' "International Labor Defense," law as wrong.

she explained, "it protects all pothe laboring class."

in marbid thought. "But the ILD will defend you," wait. he ignored my blunt refusal,

help you prove it, or . . .

sides. I have never told a lie and money. about such matters as my name, residence or business before. Here in the office. I was ashamed of my own name, afraid, beginning to imagine what of us. I hung my head. The police but they insisted. my old friends would say. But I gave me my dollar watch, glasses, At ten o'clock next morning; ter, now," I said in a faltering reasoned, have I any friends, pencils, notebook and keys for when my name was called, I stood voice. relatives? What's the difference, which I had no doors to unlock, before Judge Dunn. The six I'll fight it out.

fore a district police station and waited there for me—they seem to object to the high bail Judge ing while waiting for my turn in the officer growled, "all right, get trivial to me now. outa here." He led us between The girl with the glasses led acted like a puppet obeying ortwo plainclothesmen into the dis- us out into the open sunshine ders from higher-ups and answer- I answered and as he opened the trict office and waved us to chairs of late afternoon.

around a table. The two boys and the thin deep breath. man warned me to give only my name and some address. "Keep tomorrow morning at ten o'clock. It softened slightly at what day." mum," the said, "you'll soon be Your trial is then," she instructed one reporter whispered, or may out of here. The ILD will take us. care of you, too.'

girl who had written down the ILD," she answered.

matter straight.

around and, velling at each other, I remembered that I was a before the judge, plead not guilty, he walked me into the patrol newspaperman, a member of the jury trial, you undertsand?" she in-I never resisted. I was dazed. Surely the law had no account manner. It was like a story I had read to settle with me, a merc onsomewhere about a Russian peas- looker, who just happened to get case dismissed on my own. I'm

for being 'caught with a book | "Erase it," I commanded and "Oh, well, we'll stand by you, about the American Revolution. walked away from her. I didn't but remember you're not guilty bonus paid. One of the girls who had been sits with the others. I kept aloof, of any crime on the statutes. And speaking was in the patrol wagon, confident my case would be dis-lif you let the judge try you im-There was an elderly woman and missed before they made any mediately tomorrow, he will sen-

geant called them up to his win I wasn't dreaming. Here I was, dow and punched a typewriter as "Next." A surely, self-importan

> "What's your name?". The desi sergeant tapped it out.

"Where were you born?" "Ontario, California."

"Where do you live?" "Eighteen ninety-two Fel street." I told him, giving the

They took us all over to the Hall of Justice on Kearny street, and I distinctly remember mumbling fitting title in our cases."

it and let us into a long corridor. lined with closed cells. Men in amazement.

struck my nostrils.

"Give 'em a take name and don't charged with. I filled my old pipe time they raise it." tell 'em anything else, get me?" and began to wonder how I could I "Ten o'clock tomorrow, then the Irish boy tapped my knee, get in contact with newspaper- I'll see you here," and we parted "Won't you give me the name and would come to my assistance paper fraternity busy. I was exulyou give the police?" the girl I was calm in the faith that I tant, I was wiser; I was going standing and listening to a speak- Party. "What's the ILD?" I asked. [er could be interpreted before the

> Everybody who was awake looked pulling, and one even said, knew they were slated for a long you, take it easy."

'you have committed no crime. boy looked back and motioned ism by a friend I had only a nodbut you will need some one to for me to follow. I hurried after ding acquaintance with before. them, apprehensive lest the iron Again I was warned to stick "Olf, all right, R. J. Doe," I door clang shut and lock me with the ILD and plead, "not said dautiously, a wave of crim- from the first kind people I had guilty-jury trial." son guilt flooded my empty in known since I lost my position. My new friends took up a col-

I looked around me and took a My newspaper brothers whise I added, "that's a good chapter

"Who are you?" I asked. I got up and went over to the Just a representative of the which.

"Yes, but," I had to get this

"Remember, when you go in the court tomorrow and you stand United Press Association once. structed me in a business like

> "Sure, but maybe I can get the a newspaper man. I never spoke in the park. I was just listening."

tence you, and you won't have One after another, the desk ser-la come back, then you will be a sentenced man.

they won't do that. I'll get it straightened out all right."

can get your case dismissed against you, you'll save us some bail appearance in court tomorrow. If you don't show up there will who profit from the slaughter. last place I had been able to pay be a bench warrant out for your

"I'll be there," I promised and

asked, "then what?" "If you can't get your case "hall of Injustice would be a more dismissed before the hearing in court tomorrow, you plead not There we were searched, our guilty, jury trial.' You say it personal effects, miserable things, i fast, so the judge can't interrupt taken from us. The girls were you and try your case there. He marched one way, and the men will immediately set your bail at down a long corridor to a lock- one thousand dollars cash, or two thousand five hundred dollars pro-An attendant in uniform, with perty, but don't worry about that,

"Why that's exorbitant," I said

were lying on a filthy floor of lit's obstruction of justice," she yellow, slimy concrete. The close said with a wise shrug, "but every human smell of confined bodies, time they try such a case it costs that resembles the odor from a the city three hundred dollars and case full of monkeys at the zoo, they seldom get a conviction. The exorbitant bail is used as a dis-My three companions were criminating weapon against the eagerly hailed by friends who labor leaders and organizers as "What is your name?" the girl knew them and they passed the well as the Communists. Most of leaned toward me as the patrol time in quick talk of things. I the cases will be dismissed after did not grasp. But the words the November 7th elections. They "party," "election," Sam Darcy," just want to intimidate the Com-"Flaine Black," "headquarters," munist speakers in order to keep "Don't give the police your right | filtered over to where I leaned | them from reaching the people in this State, but," she grinned so I did not know what I was bravely, "we raise the bail every

men who still remembered me she to get bail, I to get my news-

I hunted up an old acquaintance what to say. I trusted my newsand told my story. He let me paper fraternity. The iron gate rolled back eas- use his phone. Those whom I litical prisoners and members of ily at the end of the long cage. reached promised immediate wire the judge told me. "I'll look after myself," I mut- toward it. Some were expectant, Sure, go to bed, old man, we'll been sitting and the judge said: ered gruffily and slumped over many just looked hopelessly—they pull a rabbit out of the hat for "hold up your right hand and any time you want to know what's

> That night I was invited to my My friends filed out. The Irish first beginner's class in Commun-

judge asked as I sat down. stopped to listen to a speech when lection of one dollar and sixtythe police hollered at me and I The girls were waiting for us five cents for me to use, if I was held in jail pending later trial. hollered right back at them. It A photographer flashed pictures I tried to refuse their kindness, was all very confusing, I don't remember much about the mat-

but carried in memory of doors others pleaded not guilty and de- hand," the judge reached for the The patrol wagon stopped be- I once loved and of faces who manded a jury trial. They tried red covered book I had been read-Dunn immediately set, but he court. ed in monosyllables.

pered. The judge eyed me coldly, on mob psychology. I read it "You all report to me here an inhuman glint was in his eyes. over after what happened yesterbe he saw my Masonic emblem he returned the book to me. upon my coat lapel, I don't know

He mumbled something I could ed questions sharply and much man.

### WORKERS' OPEN FORUM

are proposing to start a Proletar

ian Band. It is one of the great

est moves you could possibly

make, as I know nothing rouses

I am on the SERA but just

THE FULTON THEATER Oakland, Calif., May 18, 1935.

Was surprised to see your ad

Saturday Western Worker, There

must be a misunderstanding on

union and will cause dissatisfac-

Oakland, Calif., May 18, 1935.

The "Fulton" is one of the

you could consult the A. F. of L.

unfair list before accepting adds.

Yours for Union Labor,

nation regarding the Fulton Thea-

ter ad. We were not aware the

theater is non-union but cancelled

the ad immediately upon learning

WAGNER FAKE LABOR BILL

At a meeting of our union, May

of the Furniture Workers Loc-

al. 1541 United Brotherhood of

Carpenters and Joiners of Ameri-

ca, the Wagner-Lewis bill was

ntroduced by our business agent

and voted upon his recommenda-

ion without giving a reading of

the bill. As it is, very few know

anything about the bill. Would it

be possible for the Western Work-

er to print the bill and explain

in every-day language what i

story explaining the main feat-

means to the workers?

San Francisco, Calif.,

May 19, 1935.

Comradely Yours,

Comrade Editor:

side of the Bay.

Comrade Editor:

the circumstance.

Dear Comrades:

A SOCIALIST FAKER Tuscon, Arizona, May 17, 1935.

Editor Western Worker: I just read the piece in the parties instincts more than good per where William H. Henry had music. taken a severe stab at one of our comrades, Bernice Gallagher. You now I am sorry to say I can't know there is nothing too dirty or come across with the wherewithfilthy for that fellow to do. I all, but in my next pay I'll do William, William, Randolph know (Buzzard) Henry very well, my part with \$1. having been a member of the Socialist Party for a number of

years. Now Henry and his gang, if I remember correctly, had one lack Donnivan in charge of a police force they had carefully picked to club and beat left wing dele- for the "Fulton Theater" in your gates out of the Convention hall when the rights and lefts split a number of years ago in Chicago. Donnivan had been a spy in the ranks of the I. W. W. for tion among the unions on this land Tribune. And every morning

This Henry got tired of his wife, who had done his office work for a number of years, and fell in love with his stenographer and that was the last of his wife as far as Henry was concerned. Comradely yours W. K.

RICH MUST PAY BONUS Aubrey, Calif., May 18, 1935.

Dear Comrades: The reason for this letter is to have the Western Worker clarify the paper's stand on the Veterans bonus. The writer understands that the Western Worker, Daily Worker and all working clas magazines want the bonus paid from money appropriated for war Some veterans here say the West ern Worker does not want the

A Worker Veteran. Editor's Note: The majority of the veterans are workers and farmers. They were tricked into fighting by the bankers and industrialists who made huge prof-"Don't worry about me. I know its out of the war and are planning to make more out of the next. The Communist Party fights "Well, we're fighting for free the Patman inflation bill because speech, and if you are sure you it would take away, in increased prices, much of what it would give in bonus payments. The money. We have deposited twen- Communist Party advocates and ty-five dollars for your release and fights for payment of the bonus by taxing the rich, the gentlemen

> HERE COMES THE BAND San Francisco, Calif.,

May 20, 1935. ern Worker, I read where you material will appear later.

"Say not guilty," my news-

paper pal prompted in my ear.

"not guilty."

I cleared my throat and said.

"You want your mumble-m-m-

m-now," I still don't know what

he rumbled in that rote like voice

"Say yes," the pal whispered.

trembling violently. Of all the

court rooms I had been in as a

reporter back home-none were

like this one-cold, foreboding fac

es, fishy eyes, sharp looks, cal

culating glances, inaudible words

The officer who arrested me in

the crowd took the stand We

entirely different in civilian clothes

stared at each other. He looked

"I was making an arrest of one

of the speakers and a mumble-

m-m-m-m," his voice dropped to

on indistinct rumble, like reciting

"All right, what have you got

to say for yourself," the judge

porter friends. I did not know

"You better take the stand,"

I got up where the officer had

and nothing m-m-m-but-m-m-so-

My reporter pal met my ques-

"I was crossing the park and

"What have you got in your

"Social psychology by Ross,"

book where I had been reading

"Hm, interested in mobs, eh?"

head and so I said, "Yes sir."

m-m-m-od.'

a well-memorized part.

"Yes." I said and my legs were

quicker than could answer them. "Ten days suspended sentence,"

Judge Dunn mumbled and began writing on a blotter. The girl interrupted, but my reporter friends moved around her until she gave up her scruti-

ny of the book and handed it back to me. My reporter pals pulled me off the stand and shouldered me out of the court room by the judge's

back entrance. "What do I do now?" I asked

you guilty, but suspended your fice on the Communist ballot. sentence, that's all.'

"But I wasn't guilty, I,"

cedure. You're out, ain't you Lang, the renegade socialist who's and say, don't be a martyr to your been starving the Russians in the Communistic principles. Get me? Los Angeles Evening Herald. Use your bean. We all admire Quoting from his article in the the Communists here; all the boys | April 16 issue: "A high official do because they got guts and con- of the Ukrainian Soviet . . . said, victions, but hell, it won't get six million people have perished you any place, except sitting in from hunger in our country in jail and rotting there, see."

faltered, "I said not guilty and he sentenced me to ten days sus-

swear to tell the whole truth going on here and I'll be glad to show you the ropes. And listen. he lowered his voice confidentially, "if you are a sincere Comtioning glance and nodded his munist, use your head, get me. plenty of us fellows are pulling "All right, what happened," the for you, get me," and he laughed

as we parted.

I stumbled out through the back door he held open for me and into the marble halls of a palace labelled justice. My vision was 3,000,00 population; 6,000,000 starvblinded.

Inquiring for the wash room went in and washed my face in cold water. I felt better and looking out through the dingy win- the writer of that with one year's dow I saw the steel bars of the suspension, not for lying, but jail where my six friends were for lying without first getting their waiting for the ILD to raise that permission. You can believe it exorbitant bail for their release. I stumbled out then and the little girl from the ILD met me in the hall.

"Try to scrape up some bail for the others," she said.

the Latest Lies from the · BY COOLEY ·

Hearst.

Keep it up, until you burst. And when you've burst, without a doubt,

We'll sweep you up and throw vou out.

Once upon a time there was a pearl diver who made his living scraping things off the bottom of the ocean. One day a jelly fish your part, as this theater is not kicked his brains out, so he got a job as an editor on the Oakhe dives into a convenient manhole and scrapes around for the news for that day's issue.

On Tuesday, May 14, he presented the readers of the Oakscabbiest theaters in Oakland. We land Tribune with this little workers will have a hard time ex wish-fulfillment: "The (San Franplaining the Western Worker add cisco) Board of Supervisors today in the Friday edition. Of course was on record in favor of new "it is human to err," but surely legislation against 'reds' . . . A resolution urging congressional adoption of an eight-point program against radicals urging overthrow of the Gevernment was Editor's Note: Elsewhere in adopted yesterday afternoon, and this issue of the Western Worker a copy ordered sent to Washingis printed an apology and explation."

> It's too bad the clerk who has charge of such things at the Civic Center can't bury his records which show no such resolution was passed.

> The resolution was introduced in the Board meeting of May 13, -and referred to the Committee on Judiciary which quietly killed it on May 17. And on May 14 the Tribune reported it already passed. Hearst's San Francisco Examiner did the same

Who's passing these resolutions, anyhow? The anti-labor Supervisors, or the "red-baiting" capitalist press?

Snooping through the Chico, Calif., "Enterprise" of April 29 we find them quoting, "A pamphlet issued recently by a com-Editor's Note: Elsewhere in this issue are an editorial and a news mittee of the Los Angeles junior chamber of commerge . . . 'The In Monday's issue of the West- ures of the bill. More detailed Criminal Syndicalism Act . . . provides public resource against those who employ syndicalism acts of sabotage . . . violence, etc., in the venomous program of forcibly

destroying Americanism." It probably would do just that, if there were any such persons in California. That is, not counting the vigilantes, who never get caught under any law, no matter how venomous and violent they

But the trouble is, eight Communists, who are bitterly opposed to sabotage and violence and destruction, have been sent to prison under the Criminal Syndicalism Law. The Chamber of "Go home, it's all over. Ten Commerce didn't like the way days suspended sentence don't they led strikes and unemployed mean a thing, except he found struggles and ran for public of-

Don't blame me if this one's a bit "Aw, forget it. It's just a pro- confusing; it comes from Harry 1932-33.' Then he paused, and re-"Well, I don't understand," I peated: 'six million'."

In the April 17 issue Lang says: "But the Ukraine has a population of over 3,000,000. What were "Aw, it's okay. Drop around the conditions in the other sections?"

And he must have gone prowling in a cemetery to find out, because he says: "Cemeteries . . . are seldom'... visited by foreign correspondents. Yet what testimony they have to offer! For there are living people among the graves. In the Kiev cemetery I saw hundreds . . . etc. . . ."

Ripley isn't that big a liar! ed to death, and hundreds still living in the cemeteries.

The Socialist Party punished

Any plea that the 3,000,000 population was a typographical error and he really meant 30,000,000 is unimportant. A guy who can I nodded, but I wished that I calmly say one-fifth of a people had done what the other loyal starved to death, when they are workers had done, pleaded "not really more prosperous than ever "Let me see it," demanded a guilty-jury-trial," rather than be- before in their history, is on rather feminine voice near me. She ask- ing railroaded out a sentenced thin ice to start hopping around about "errors."